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J1	Poole Town	A general uplift for the town centre		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J2	Poole Town	a) g) A town council of 42 councillors would require several committees, such as: a- cabinet b - finance (incl budgeting and grant applications) c- standards (incl overview and scrutiny) d - leisure facilities (incl allotments, recreation grounds, skateparks, play areas and community centres) e - environmental (incl beaches and seafront, public conveniences, green spaces, litter) f - events (incl tourist information, heritage, neighbourhood projects) Plus other services which BCP council would plan to transfer to Poole Town Council. All of these would require extensive administration costs (meeting venues, secretarial etc.), which would absorb a considerable amount of the additional precept. I doubt there would be a reduction in the council tax charged by BCP for the areas they would no longer control. However, a local Parish council for Parkstone, as was submitted originally, would comprise of 9 councillors and would be much more cost-effective and involve faster and more efficient decision-making. This option should be reconsidered.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J3	Poole Town	a) Poole is where I live, so why did you amalgamate to BCP in the first place. What is the cost of changing back?		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J4	Poole Town	a-h) I don't want to change the current situation		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J5	Poole Town	a-h) residents do not need an additional level of governance within BCP. What was the point of establishing BCP in the first place? Now trying to have 3 town councils in addition to existing BCP. This will result in wasted bureaucracy, time and funding. g) too many polling districts being recommended with too many councillors. In Creekmoor 3 new councillors proposed for Poole town council - we [unknown] with 2 or the whole of BCP.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J6	Poole Town	Cost of these new proposals is needed to make a decision. Especially as main reason for forming BCP was to reduce cost		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J7	Poole Town	Is there a fault on this form (and the survey)? In other parishes and wards the option to “Strongly Disagree” did not appear on the list – which will bend the results to a less-negative outcome – and an invalid result? Is this a flaw in the system – or is this intentional?		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J8	Poole Town	(A) A Poole council comeback is needed the BCP is useless . (B) Looks like Poole to me (C) Poole is a historic name dating back to antiquity-pre Roman invasion . (D) Nothing wrong with a town council (E) Again Poole is a fantastic name and it will be a town council (F) some of the names are a bit long winded but good for the most part (G) 42 sounds about right ((H) looks good, more than one councillor per ward helps with representation of the communities	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J9	Poole Town	(a) Although we have become BCP, each area has it's own identity, by giving Poole a council who deal with Poole concerns makes the best sense	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J10	Poole Town	(a) Whether it is considered that the establishment of BCP Council has benefited local residents or not, it is clear in my view as a long standing resident of Poole that Poole has lost a sense of identity following the change in 2019. My view is that establishing a local town council for Poole will mean that there is a local and democratic body which will represent the views of residents, businesses and other organisations in Poole and be a voice for Poole. The council would be a body which will enable the historic and civic functions of Poole to have greater visibility as opposed to the current system of Charter Trustees which is not well understood and has limited powers. The council will be able to represent Poole, and also be able to administer some services at a much more local level where this is more effective. It will mean residents should have a greater say in what happens to some services within their local neighbourhoods. The establishment of a town council will also provide the benefit of the allocations of grant funding and some local infrastructure funding from CIL for example by local representatives at a local level. This should mean greater community involvement in local decisions. Overall therefore it will provide a clear identity for Poole as a place; provide local representation for Poole and more local decision-making; help generate more community involvement and participation in decisions which affect local residents and businesses; provide a voice for Poole and represent its historic and civic identity; provide more options for more local delivery of services and facilities at a local neighbourhood level. (b) On the assumption that there is support for a Broadstone council which will mean that area will be parished, the area proposed for Poole town council should include all areas that are currently covered by the Charter Trustees as a result of them falling within the previous Borough of Poole area. To leave an area out on the basis that it may not be as strongly aligned to the town of Poole as other areas would result in an unparished area and the need to retain the Charter Trustees. This would mean two levels of local precepts and organisations at a local level in the parished areas of Poole, and would also be confusing in terms of identity, role and purpose when considering the Civic functions. The boundary proposed does in my view represent the area identified as Poole which is not contained within Broadstone. (c) Clear identity. (d) Poole is a town and the style of council proposed reflects that position making it clear the proposed council represents the whole of the town of Poole. (e) Clear identity reflecting the position that the council will represent the communities most linked to the town of Poole. (f) To align with the current ward arrangements so far as possible for consistency and reflect current identities. (g) Although it means the elector ratios will be higher than in many other parish councils including those currently existing within the BCP Council area, to increase the number of councillors above 42 would mean an overly large council which would not in my view be as efficient or effective in terms of its decision-making. To reduce below 42 would increase the elector ratios and	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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		result in arguably less democratic engagement and resut in a council less connected to its communities at a local level thereby going against one of the purposes of a town council. (h) To ensure so far as possible there is reasonable equality between wards in terms of elector ratios so that some wards are not over-represented on the council.					
J11	Poole Town	(f) I am not clear where the proposals for a separate Broadstone Parish sit with the Charter Trustees, who presumably cover both this area and Poole Town Council. I appreciate that Broadstone fits into a different Parliamentary constituency. There may be merit in single Poole Town, therefore. (g) The number of councillors depends on whether or not Broadstone is separate.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0

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J12	Poole Town	[b] no need to include Marley Ward and Bearwood Ward: they are distant outliers. See [f] [g] 42! A company board needs 6 to 8 directors. 42 is 1 per 2,700 electors - that's outrageous bureaucracy and expense. [h] Lilliput Village should be a separate identity [ward].	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J13	Poole Town	14a. I want Poole to more say in how it spends it's council tax and the councillors concentrate on Poole not the wider area outside the town.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J14	Poole Town	42 seems a lot - i would agree wholeheartedly if they wee to be housed in the old poole civic centre	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J15	Poole Town	a because it should lead to better representation and therefore better outcomes	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J16	Poole Town	a - f strongly agree with all statements that Poole should have its own town/parish council, because there is a great community within Poole, which I feel would only flourish within a more personal parish/town council. g-h neither agree nor disagree - number of councillors is not something I feel I can strongly weigh in on.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J17	Poole Town	A - h inclusive. I agree with decision making being at a local level encouraging more citizen involvement.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J18	Poole Town	A - Poole is Poole not BCP c - should of never change in the first place no savings have been made ie council tax	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J19	Poole Town	A - Poole needs its own identity B - Agree with the boundaries C - Poole should be lead name rather than individual wards D - Agree with a town council E - Should be called Poole Town Council F - Agree with the parish wards G - Not sure what each councillors job would be H - Need a better understanding of what they would do	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0

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J20	Poole Town	a - too right. never thought BCP was a good idea. I knew Bournemouth would subsume everything, and it did. We should have set up Poole Town from the beginning, so I'm glad to see we're looking at it now.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J21	Poole Town	a A historic area such as Poole should have its own identity not be lost in a combined area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J22	Poole Town	a b c d e f g h Since BCP was formed Poole,has lost so much. Our identity, our history, our right to do things our way. We have been annexed by Bournemouth and have become of little consequence. Future Poole citizens can no longer be born in Poole!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J23	Poole Town	a I strongly agree that a parish council should be created for Poole. This will support the identity of the town of Poole. Since BCP Council was created, there has been a reduction in the amount of events taking place in Poole, and I am disappointed that there is no VE Day event taking place in Poole. A new parish council would be able to organize more community-based events.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J24	Poole Town	A to H - hope fore a better community safeguard, friendly approach to safety and safeguard the residents interests	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J25	Poole Town	'a' to 'h' - the boundaries between Creekmoor and both Hamworthy wards seem very arbitrary. So for example, Upton Country Park is split between at least two of these wards. As	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J26	Poole Town	A with concerns for increased jobs and therefore costs on council tax for residents	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
J27	Poole Town	a) - I agree with the proposal because we need local representation to fulfil local community services that BCP are unable to do. b) the boundary should include the whole of the historical boundary of Poole, including Broadstone.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J28	Poole Town	a) Since the creation of BCP, Poole has lost its identity. What is relevant to, for example, Christchurch, is not necessarily of equal relevance to Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J29	Poole Town	a) Agree - Poole residents need a council serving the needs of local people. b) Agree - The boundary is clear and supported by local residents c) Agree - The name give clear identity to residents and councilors d) Agree - Poole Town Council including a Mayor would be more appropriate for the residents of Poole e) The name should clearly identify the organisation f) The Wards should represent the local district identities and thereby local residents g) 42 councilors managed Poole Town Council prior to formation of BCP so it should be sufficient to serve the needs of the local community of Poole	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J30	Poole Town	a) I am struggling to understand why after a short time of being a unitary authority we are now being asked to introduce another level of bureaucracy. If the unitary system is not fit for purpose then the whole thing needs to be reviewed	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J31	Poole Town	a) I think splitting Poole and Bournemouth into separate Parishes should help both areas gain more control.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J32	Poole Town	a) I think that increased centralisation of authority diminishes the ability to understand and respond to local issues, and that a local council such as a parish council is a valuable tool to improve local quality of living. c) With the amalgamation of BCP there is a view that the identity of the component areas might be lost. Naming the councils after the historic areas will help preserve the sense of identity and willingness to support local causes. Remainder - while I support the creation of the proposed councils I have no particularly strong views on the details.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J33	Poole Town	a) to g) inclusive It seems to make perfect sense to replace the existing arrangements with a properly formed Town Council with the benefits that that might bring. I would not want to see the area subject to two lots of precepts, as would be the case were the whole of Poole not included in the new arrangement.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J34	Poole Town	a, b, c: a parish for Poole would give it specific identity and promote its own unique features. d, e: not sure how the term 'parish council' differs from other types ie town, community, neighbourhood, etc. Would it override any decisions made by these councils or even duplicate them, adding more to the council tax? f, g, h: I have opted for 'somewhat agree' as the allocated areas and councillors seem fair.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J35	Poole Town	a, f and h. I strongly support the creation of a Poole Town Council. Amalgamation of the previous Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch borough councils was done primarily as a money-saving exercise (necessary following the Conservative governments' abolition of core funding for councils beginning in 2010) but this has been to the detriment of more locally-based powers and voices. The creation of a town council for Poole would go some way to restoring that, and would help Poole residents, through the democratic process, understand they have a stronger voice on what many believe is a Bournemouth-centric BCP Council. The latter may or may not be the case, but that is a perception.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J36	Poole Town	A, we should have our own identity, d, Poole Town council should be easily identifiable	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J37	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h. All recommendations. I consider that Poole should regain its independence from BCP Council and run its own affairs without interference from an authority which has no local knowledge and is only concerned with the welfare of Bournemouth. For instance restricting access to Poole Park causing major traffic problems for my area. Selling the council buildings is another land grab by Bournemouth which we do not belong to or want. Our Beaches have been severely run down and neglected under the BCP regime.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J38	Poole Town	a. I strongly agree that a parish of Poole should be created to protect and maintain the historic identity of Poole. Poole has hundreds of years of maritime history and poole residents are fed up with our town being treated as though it is a suburb of Bournemouth. Poole deserves to have its own democratic voice. When BCP was formed against the wishes of many Poole and Christchurch residents, a town council was set up for Christchurch, but not for Poole. b. I feel it is very important that the Poole Town Council replaces the Charter Trustees because it is clear to me that it does not work to have charter trustees that are not based in the central area of the principle council. It makes no sense to have both so I understand that all areas within the former Borough must be perished, but I am open to the idea that there may be areas on the edges of the former borough who do not identify as being part of Poole and if this is the case, perhaps a different solution could be found for these areas. d. Poole parish must be a Town to replace the charter trustees g,h I feel that the size of wards is the best balance. Bigger wards would be less local and a more difficult job for volunteer councillors. Smaller wards would make the council too big.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J39	Poole Town	a. I strongly believe that 'localisation' is essential for making services accessible, visible and appropriate to residents. Centralising services under the 'economies of scale' banner has meant that services have become unresponsive, non-accountable, more remote, has increased overheads and diversion into non-essential services, not 'voted for' and not supported by residents. A new Parish of Poole would give some opportunity to returning local services to local people making them more visible, more accountable, more appropriate and more accessible. i. I would like that the ratio of the number of Councillors for each Ward to be proportionate to the number of households paying council tax in each Ward.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J40	Poole Town	A. Like many Poole residents I don't agree with the creation of town or parish councils. In the interest of efficiency and effectiveness the existing system should be reviewed to give more responsibility and work to existing councillors to ensure non-statutory services and facilities are brought to the residents whom they serve. However I recognise that this is likely to go ahead despite people's opposition. Therefore I do agree that a parish council for the whole of Poole be established. Residents see themselves as belonging to Poole and to create separate parishes just creates division and territorialism that can only be detrimental to the progression of the town as a whole. People move across wards for work, leisure, family, schools etc and it would be poor practice to develop facilities in one 'parish' that were not seen in another area. Some areas of Poole have a strong core of residents who are able to galvanise others into action to improve their areas and some do not. A 'whole Town' council would ensure the less active areas do not get overlooked whilst rewarding the hard work of residents who are active	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J41	Poole Town	a. Poole needs its own identity which seems to have been lost since BCP was established	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J42	Poole Town	a. Poole needs to be a parish of its own because at present we are the poor relatives of BCP council. Everything has to go through the town hall at Bournemouth. At present the Revenue and Benefits are 12 weeks behind. We never had this problem when we had everything at te council offices in Poole. c. The name is irrelevant its how we govern ourselves that makes life in Poole more acceptable.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J43	Poole Town	A/B/c/d I think it will retain Pooles identity which is presently at risk of getting lost and hopefully give some decision making powers for at least some community activities to the people who actually live here and care about the town	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J44	Poole Town	Abcdefgh I don't think any changes should be made to the current arrangements	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J45	Poole Town	About time we had more local representation and ownership	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J46	Poole Town	'a-g' Given Poole's history and heritage, there is a need to make local decisions in Poole for Poole. No VE day event in Poole considering it's wartime contribution was a disgrace especially as Christchurch and Bournemouth had one.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J47	Poole Town	Agree	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J48	Poole Town	Agree	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J49	Poole Town	Agree that Poole should take back control in whatever way we can. BCP Council does not represent Poole and does not seem to be interested in Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J50	Poole Town	Agree with all - more local say seems like a good thing to me	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J51	Poole Town	a-h) I fully support the idea to create a parish council for Poole and call it Poole Town council and to have councillors for the area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J52	Poole Town	All agreed, but the area is a bit too large	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J53	Poole Town	All recommendations: We must cease being Bournemouth and having no say.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5

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J54	Poole Town	all three I live in Poole all my life so I agree with the council	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J55	Poole Town	As a general principle I would like to see the recommendations pass, to give Poole more of an identity and more autonomy.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J56	Poole Town	As a resident of Poole all my life I feel that BCP joint council does not meet the needs of Poole as a high priority. Poole has become a rundown area in need of investment. The town centre is very poor, with very few independent shops. The high street is drab and poorly maintained. The bus station is a disgrace. However Poole Park having received lottery funding is a well kept and well used local area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J57	Poole Town	b - the area covered is far too large. There should be a separate Parkstone & Sandbanks Community Council including all wards from Parkstone to Bournemouth border (except Bearwood) Some wards should move into Broadstone with Bearwood moving to Northbourne Community Council with Kinson c - The name should be Poole Town	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J58	Poole Town	b - Why is Upton excluded? Also Bourne Valley feels much more like Bournemouth to me, and Penn Hill and Canford Cliffs/Sandbanks areas feel entirely different to central Poole. g - 42 councillors seems really excessive, are they volunteers or paid? If they were part time/job share to deputise for each other that would be okay.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J59	Poole Town	B) f) and g) Broadstone and Corfe Mullen could be included as part of Poole , their identity is still retained through their parish name. This would therefore change the number of parishes for Poole as it would include corfe Mullen and Broadstone with are effectively suburbs of Poole. H) The number feels high and two councillors for each parish should be adequate.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J60	Poole Town	b) f) the new Poole town council should include Broadstone and all areas within the historic Borough of Poole a) d) Does a 'parish in the style of a town council' actually give Poole the power of a town council? Will Poole still have a mayor? Poole needs both!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J61	Poole Town	b) There are some notable errors with the eastern boundary, with areas of Bournemouth (e.g. Bear Cross and West Howe) being included in Poole Town Council, and vice-versa. The boundary should follow the borough borders exactly. The perceived blurring of the lines between Poole and Bournemouth is one of the driving forces behind the desire for a town council for Poole. People won't identify with a town council if they don't consider themselves part of that town. Exact changes in answer to 20. f) Alderney ward ought to be called Alderney and Wallisdown ward, as they're both distinct areas and people in Wallisdown wouldn't identify with Alderney.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J62	Poole Town	B). I don't see why Broadstone is excluded from Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J63	Poole Town	b; f; As a resident in the long thin strip of land appended onto Alderney I object to being cut out from both the Bournemouth/Wallisdown boundaries as well as the Bourne Valley boundaries. There's no good reason why we should continually be appended onto another part of town that has a different culture and community, and separated from where most of our community is. The schools, university and most of the housing in this area are more closely aligned with both Wallisdown and Bourne Valley than Alderney, the centre of gravity of which is at the other end of the proposed boundary.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J64	Poole Town	BCP council has been bad for Poole. Great to have our own council back.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J65	Poole Town	Bearwood and Merley should be excluded from Poole	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J66	Poole Town	Best idea	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J67	Poole Town	'd ' I strongly agree that Poole and surrounding area shouldhave town status.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J68	Poole Town	D - strongly agree with Poole having its own town council. Poole needs focus, care and attention to restore public areas, services and encourage and support local businesses.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J69	Poole Town	d) Poole Town, especially the town centre, and specifically the High Street has suffered a downward spiral of neglect. There are too many Turkish barbers and vape shops of dubious business practices and empty and untidy shops that need investigating and dealing with.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J70	Poole Town	E - rather than being known by individual wards, the name Poole Town would encompass all wards and provide a separate identity to those in Bournemouth	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J71	Poole Town	Ever since this merger, there is no individuality for areas, everything seem to be overrun by Bournemouth, we are not part of Bournemouth, we are Poole	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J72	Poole Town	f) g) h) it does seem alot of Councillors for the area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J73	Poole Town	F. Important to have defined wards to represent the local population	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J74	Poole Town	G - agree as long as councillors elected are still the same number	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J75	Poole Town	g - endeavour to limit the no of Councillors 2 - 3 per ward (not to exceed) keeping costs for a new look Town Council to be as low as possible, saving council tax payers money IF possible (see X'church)	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J76	Poole Town	G - my concern is there may not be enough people who want to be councillors, they may not have the correct knowledge for the best decision making	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J77	Poole Town	g & h too many councillors proposed	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J78	Poole Town	g) & h) The proposals are not equitable with the proposals for a separate Broadstone council. For example my own ward of Canford Heath West is to have two councillors yet all of the wards in Broadstone each with less than half the projected electorate of Canford Heath West is to be given three or four councillors. This surely does not fit with electoral proportionality and the requirement for equitable democracy?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J79	Poole Town	g) and h) Decrease the number of councillors to around 15.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
J80	Poole Town	g) It seems reasonable. It will certainly be better to have a Poole Town Parish Council with local people to oversee local issues.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J81	Poole Town	h- four councillors for Canford Heath is excessive and would be hard to find 6- number of councillors for Poole Town is excessive and needs to be reduced. 42 councillors would be difficult to manage.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J82	Poole Town	h) Creekmoor should have 4 councillors rather than 3 councillors due to area size including U.C. park, padel, park and ride, lakes	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J83	Poole Town	h) while I agree with the recommendations for a town council. I find that some change should be made to either wards or number of councillors allocated to each ward. As it stands, Red Hill, Parkstone, Longfleet would have much less representation than other wards. As these are relatively stable areas and likely to be older, this does not give them adequate representation. Maybe some of Parkstone could be moved to Old town and [unknown] and Longfleet could be linked to Newtown. Alternatively, size of council adjusted and [unknown] 3 areas could have 4 seats, giving a council size of 45. Assuming town councillors will receive some remuneration, will existing BCP councillors responsible for areas now the responsibility of town council see a reduction in this [unknown]? If they do not and still have responsibility for these areas, I can see no point in having a town council!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J84	Poole Town	Happy to go ahead	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J85	Poole Town	Having a more local area as prior to the merger of the main BCP council I agree with if it is kept as Poole town. It is interesting though that Broadstone is separate. Would not want a mix across the previous split.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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J86	Poole Town	I agree completely that Poole should have a town Council so we know we all have representation in our area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J87	Poole Town	I agree to all the proposals listed above but will there a date in the future for reflection on these proposals?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J88	Poole Town	I agree with all the recommendations on the basis that Poole has lost it's identity through the BCP merger and it is vital that we regain this. The current Council is too large and focussed on its statutory responsibilities (as it should be) for residents to be engaged. Hopefully this reorganisation would enable more people to not only have their say, but also be heard and make a positive input into the running of our town.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J89	Poole Town	I agree with recommendations for Poole Town. Elizabeth first gave a Charter to Poole in 1568. Why has that Charter been rescinded? This was imposed on the people of Poole. Even after having made representation to the Government of the time, that it was much too expensive!! as it has proven to be. Christchurch had a reefrendum They voted NO but again overruled. This was not democracy.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2

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J90	Poole Town	I agree with the proposal for a town council as long as all town councils are tasked with having the needs of all residents considered and the councillors are accountable to a degree.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J91	Poole Town	I agree with them all	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J92	Poole Town	I believe that in the context of the impact of that the Quayside and Baitor Park has to bring visitors into the town and the provision of recreational facilities then Poole Old Town and Baitor should have 3 councillors.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J93	Poole Town	I believe that Poole has its own vibrant community and economic benefits that are quite different to declining Bournemouth and ancient Christchurch. Poole is vibrant, cohesive and based upon centuries of community, it must not be lost in the mix of confrontations twixt Christchurch and Bournemouth. Poole has been here for thousands of years before the other upstarts. Its identity should not be lost due to simple and current political fashion. Poole will be here for millennia, as expressed by the 'boat' in The Museum. Poole is here for the long term, not just political fashion. We are Who We are and it would be indecent if others made a political decision that overrides our natural rights and nature of being here. We are a Free people in Poole, We have no avarice for others or covert their supposed power for drowning witches, We only ask for Honesty and Respect.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J94	Poole Town	I believe that Poole Town Council should cover the entirety of Poole, and that Broadstone should not be singled out to have its own Parish. This will lead to a severance of that community and a disconnect across the historic borough of Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J95	Poole Town	I definitely agree that Poole should be a parish and have a town council so that there is a council just dedicated to Poole again. With only three one council for the whole of BCP, it can feel a bit Bournemouth centric.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J96	Poole Town	I do not think we need so many councillors keep it lean	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J97	Poole Town	I do understand why poole is being considered as a whole but question why so many wards are put together whilst areas like Broadstone are considered separately. Poole comprises one town ... of which Broadstone is a part. I don't understand why one area of the town is treated differently.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J98	Poole Town	I don't know enough to disagree with what somebody has researched and it makes sense to adhere to what they're suggesting so that Poole is not left behind.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J99	Poole Town	I don't think there is a need for a town council.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J100	Poole Town	I feel Poole needs to get back some of the identity it lost with the setting up of BCP. Much of this is to do with community based activities which a town council is ideally set up to deliver.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J101	Poole Town	I have no issue with the proposals for the parish wards. My only concern relates to the establishment of a Town Council for Broadstone, which seems totally out of kilter with what is being proposed for the rest of Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J102	Poole Town	I hope that we return to the very good service we used to enjoy before we took the retrograde step of allowing the BCP set up.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
J103	Poole Town	I question whether Broadstone residents really want to secede from Poole. One councillor per ward would be more manageable and democratic.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J104	Poole Town	I strongly agree with the proposal for a Poole Town Council. However, I wonder, as we already have BCP ward councillors, is it necessary to have this amount of Town Councillors. I would propose only one for each area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J105	Poole Town	I strongly agree with the proposals except that it may be better if Broadstone was included in the council, difficult to see why say Merley is included but not Broadstone	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J106	Poole Town	I support the idea of parishes, but the parish suggested for Poole is far too large, does not recognise substantial differences between Poole town and the other areas, and is not in keeping with the size of the other parishes put forward. A parish should be a smaller area, representative of the nature of the area. By simply adopting the old Bournemouth/Poole boundaries, it is still leaving Wallisdown cut across two areas, which has been a consistent issue for getting parity in the area with other areas of BCP. If the council is going to adopt parishes, it should do it properly across the whole authority area, in a consistent fashion - not just proper parishes for some areas, and a lazy, bulk approach, lumping in other areas with Bournemouth and Poole. As a Wallisdown resident, I associate much more with areas like Winton, Bournemouth, Branksome, Westbourne, Kinson, than I do Poole, Alderney etc	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J107	Poole Town	I think 42 is too many for a parish council with limited powers, trying not to increase council tax bills more than necessary. I would give one per ward.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J108	Poole Town	I think Churchfield rd is included in a ward that doesn't feel right. It would be better in the old town and Baiter Ward and would even up the numbers better. Churchfield rd and the roads to the South feel like part of an area linked to Poole Park, and have very few links across into Sterte and not much connection with areas north of Longfleet rd. I think it would be hat for a councillor to represent these disparate areas (Longfleet, Sterte and the area adjacent to Poole Park.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J109	Poole Town	I think it's very important for people to have a say in plans for their local area. Local context is important and can sometimes become lost in the larger scale functions of BCP. This is a great town with a significant history and potential for a vibrant, thriving future.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J110	Poole Town	I think they need to be more subdivided into smaller parish councils not one large, like Broadstone.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J111	Poole Town	I totally agree with the recommendation for a Poole town council it's about time we had a say in the running of our beloved Poole instead of letting Bournemouth interfere	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J112	Poole Town	If a Town council is what is wanted by residents then this proposal seems sensible.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J113	Poole Town	If the Poole Town Council is formed, and if the Charter Trustees therefore are disbanded, then Poole residents' council tax will rise considerably, even in the face of the recent past few years of significant Council Tax increases from BCP Council. However, if this gives more representation to each district of Poole so that residents' concerns are actually taken into account instead of imposed changes from BCP Council, it might be better for residents.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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J114	Poole Town	In answer to them all, Poole has suffered greatly since the introduction of BCP, and anything to help it regain its former pride and authority is necessary.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J115	Poole Town	In favour of local democracy	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J116	Poole Town	Is there a need to so many councillors for the Poole area? I live in Oakdale and have no clear visibility of a who represents my area I don't know what they do so unsure If we need as many. I'm aware of Andy Hadley as he has helped with litterpicking and the councillor who is Mayor Mr Miles?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J117	Poole Town	It is essential that Poole has its own identity and is defined. This has been lost by the merger. Poole has a long history and individual identity. It is valuable and important that this is maintained and developed separate from a merged identity that now exists. Poole must have its own voice and independent voice and vision.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J118	Poole Town	It is important that Poole retains an independent identity within BCP.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J119	Poole Town	it looks as if this will happen whether i want it or not	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J120	Poole Town	It makes sense to have local governance for small local issues and opportunities.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J121	Poole Town	It seems to have been well considered and fair.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J122	Poole Town	Keeping up Poole's traditions, building on tourism, more community events.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J123	Poole Town	Local knowledge is important and having representatives to help push through good causes for the local community is important.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J124	Poole Town	More representation is needed to voice concerns in specific areas of the community.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J125	Poole Town	mostly agree with all	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J126	Poole Town	No need for further layers of governance	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J127	Poole Town	P00LE TO KEEP ITS IDENTITY WITHIN BCP COUNCIL	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J128	Poole Town	Poole council should include Broadstone - it is divisive and inaccurate to exclude one area like this.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J129	Poole Town	Poole has its own identity	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J130	Poole Town	Poole has not benefitted from being joined with Bournemouth and Christchurch and should have its own representation.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J131	Poole Town	Poole is NOT a suburb of Bournemouth but an historic town in its own right. It should not be treated as inferior to Christchurch and should have its own town Council, receiving funds instead of the measly amount allowed to trustees.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J132	Poole Town	Poole needs it's identity back, be able to operate as a Town with a long history, and be given the opportunity to provide extra services, if residents support them.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J133	Poole Town	Poole needs proper representation	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J134	Poole Town	Poole needs to be able to make their own decisions	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J135	Poole Town	Poole really needs local control	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J136	Poole Town	Poole should be able to manage its own amenities away from BCP as it is very distinct from Bournemouth, who has its own identity which also be retained away from BCP. The Towns are too big to lump together and therefore splitting them back into Towns will give the electorate their own identity again, making decisions about the respective towns as they see fit.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J137	Poole Town	Poole should have its councillors for Poole only	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J138	Poole Town	Poole should have its own parish council	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 0
J139	Poole Town	Poole town council should reflect Poole as a shire with it's port, town and residents with in its centre.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 0
J140	Poole Town	Poole Town needs it's own council as it is unique in that tourists always come here and scare the wildlife and there are too many holiday rentals. This pushes prices beyond the local population.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J141	Poole Town	Poole town should include Broadstone	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J142	Poole Town	Poole's history requires a representative elected Town council	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J143	Poole Town	Poole's identity should be maintained and developed.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J144	Poole Town	Recommendations a, b,c,d,e,f,g & h. I would like this entire area of the Poole community to remain as a United entity.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J145	Poole Town	Seem reasonable	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J146	Poole Town	Since amalgamation with Bournemouth and Christchurch, Poole has lost its identity as a town with seafaring and tradition going back in history. We have been lumped with the excesses of our immediate neighbour, and as a result our town has grown more shabby and neglected, as more resources have been poured into Bournemouth.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J147	Poole Town	The area is far too big. There should be more divisions. There is far too much diversity in the needs of neighbourhoods. How can the needs of someone in Turlin Moor compare with someone in Sandbanks. I feel that Poole is not being properly represented within BCP. I would like to see parishes for Upper Parkstone/Branksome (Ashley Road and north of), Lower Parkstone and Sandbanks, Poole west etc. I really feel that Poole is the poor relation in BCP and would like to see this resolved.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J148	Poole Town	The area suggested for the council is too big and varied and as a consequence there are too many councillors to be able to work cooperatively for a common good.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J149	Poole Town	The BCP merger of 2019 did nothing for Poole and moved the focus to Bournemouth	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J150	Poole Town	The Charter Trustee situation is not functioning to protect Poole's identity and heritage. BCP constantly underfunds and undermines the activities of heritage organisations and of the historic identity of the Mayor ceremonies and activities of the town. More local decision makers can influence decisions and bring something back to the town.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J151	Poole Town	The need to streamline both the beaurocracy and service delivery	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 8
J152	Poole Town	The proposals sounds a logical step forward creating local accountability for local governments. Representation of residents to councillors seems proportionate and fare across the new town council although is significantly greater than in other parts of the borough. The structure will help ensure that the needs of a local community are heard within the BCP borough and local issues owned and addressed. Though I hope this structure still allows for a bold and forward thinking vision for BCP as a whole, we don't want to be reduced to small mindedness and set in our ways.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J153	Poole Town	The wards need to be represented by at least 2 members in case of absenteeism and ensure that their ward are heard at Poole Town Council meetings.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J154	Poole Town	There needs to be more representation in Poole	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J155	Poole Town	There should be 4 councillors for Poole town. This is a large shopping/ residential area and needs more representation.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J156	Poole Town	This is a completely unnecessary extra level of bureaucracy tt is neither progressive nor helpful	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J157	Poole Town	This submission is made on behalf of Poole Quays Forum (PQF). PQF is the Neighbourhood Planning Forum for Poole Town, Poole Quay and Hamworthy East. It is a statutory consultee on planning matters. It is a charity and is non-political and is not aligned to any political party. PQF has 510 members, membership is open to anyone resident or working in its area and there are no membership fees. It was formed, in order to preserve and enhance the history and future of the area, and this will be important going forwards. PQF has consulted with its members. PQF fully supports the principle of a Poole Town Council but consider that the proposed boundary does not achieve the object of greater democracy to improve and strengthen community engagement. PQF believe that the proposed boundaries should be much smaller and the area divided into smaller more responsive parish councils of similar size to the Christchurch area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J158	Poole Town	This will give the residence of Poole a better say in what goes on within Poole. The heritage of Poole thrrefore should be better looked after. It will put the Pride in Poole to return. The Poole and Cherbourg Twinning as laid out in the Charter will be better funded as the present Committee is now not getting any funding to carry their duties as laid down in the Charter. Hopefully a building will be established within Poole for the Town Council and which also will be used for meetings etc	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J159	Poole Town	To give the residents of Ham West a voice in the local area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J160	Poole Town	To Keep Poole's historic identity	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J161	Poole Town	Unsure about allocation of councillors	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J162	Poole Town	Very much NOT in agreement with firming Parish Councils	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J163	Poole Town	We had seperate councils - which actually was better than one BIG BCP council. You merged them. Now you want to add another layer of beuocracy (and cost!!!!) by adding these councils back in again. Either split the councils back up again to what they originally were without all these extra layers or make BCP work as it is. Stop hiding spending by adding layers of complexity to the organisation of BCP.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J164	Poole Town	We have just created an identity for Lilliput Village but this has no presence in the boundary proposals - rather we are part of a rather oddly shaped extension to Penn Hill. Also I believe that Merley and Bearwood should not be included within the Poole Town area but should be separate as is proposed for Broadstone. I can see no sense in the two different approaches. It should be consistent- either all in Poole Town or all out.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J165	Poole Town	We in Poole are known as the poor relations to bournemouth and Christchurch. We need our own council back and our councillors that will work for us, although I really don't see the need for so many councillors draining our resources. Giv3 the people of Poole the deciding hand in future development and save the ridiculous amount of money the councillors are paid,	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J166	Poole Town	We need more representation at local level, due to the size of BCP, and the council side stepping Poole, in favour of Bournemouth.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J167	Poole Town	With a local representative within the Poole council it is hoped that 'our' needs and complaints will receive a quicker response than is current.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J168	Poole Town	Yes I feel that it would allow more focus and voices from Poole Town centre in affecting things such as events and play areas etc rather than the huge and out of touch bcp council where things have been taken away i.e. Poole Quay events (later brought back by the businesses here) but makes us feel unseen	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J169	Poole Town	Yes,good but will there be too many people arguing for their area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J170	Poole Town	' A' - It just sounds like it is going to cost more money!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J171	Poole Town	J - I strongly DISAGREE with the draft recommendation for Poole town. This type of 'parish' council is only suitable for SMALL rural villages. It offers no additional benefits to the residents, only increased tax costs to them. The services it would offer are already in place via BCP Council, therefore it is an unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J172	Poole Town	(a) Another layer of beaurocracy along with more, uncapped expense.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J173	Poole Town	(a) It's only a few years since the old Borough of Poole Council was abolished in the name of efficiency and cost savings by merging with Bournemouth and Christchurch, but now there's a proposal for a new Poole Town Council as well as BCP. If there were a proposal to reverse the previous merger I'd support it, but this proposal is just adding duplication. (b) and (g) The area as defined is roughly equivalent to the old Borough of Poole, which was a unitary authority in its own right, covering a large range of different communities. In that respect it is little different to the new BCP council, other than scale, and hence I can see no advantage to it. To make this a genuinely local parish council I'd like to see the area covered be much smaller, with correspondingly fewer new councillors. This is being offered for Broadstone, so why not for other parts of the old Borough of Poole?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J174	Poole Town	(a) to (d) inclusive. As a concerned resident, I respectfully submit that the plans to introduce new, large Town and Parish Councils in addition to the present BCP Council be dropped. I am concerned the plans will produce additional layers of local Government without any tangible benefit to residents for the following reasons: Such plans could lead to confusion and “doubling up” on tasks or tasks being mistakenly overlooked between the various councils and would erode community cohesion (especially if one area was seen to be accidentally benefiting to the detriment of others). Would it not be pragmatic that a simpler approach be adopted by BCP, with a focus on improving BCP’s existing services, rather than creating more Councils?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J175	Poole Town	(a) to (h) Another level of local government in addition to BCP will inevitably increase bureaucracy by increasing the number of decision-making procedures, and a fractured approach to service delivery which will still owe more to political alignment at the expense of local need. Far from being improved and strengthened, community engagement will in fact be severely compromised by confused accountability for service delivery and budgetary responsibility whilst its size will contribute nothing to make communities more cohesive. It will in fact combine the worst of all disadvantages whilst having little or no perceivable impact on performance. The electorate is acutely aware that their interests are of secondary importance as far as major issues are concerned. There is therefore no confidence in local social media forums that this Council will be delivering "better local democracy" or "improved and stronger community engagement" in any meaningful way either through this consultation process or by the creation of yet another politically run organisation. No guarantees have been provided that its representatives will be any more in touch with the real needs of the electorate than the present BCP incumbents so what is the point? There are, however three questions that are uppermost in many people's minds: - 1) Why was the merger of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole considered such a good idea if the reinstatement of lower tier councils is now necessary? 2) Why is such an important constitutional change not being referred to the electorate as a binding referendum? Is a consultation that can be ignored all that it is worth? Are our opinions that irrelevant or is it that the Council knows full well that it will be roundly rejected? 3) How is it possible to provide a fully informed comment on a proposal that does not provide all the information needed? A half thought through proposal with non-specific benefits incapable of measurement, actively promoted by a Council that has already demonstrated where its preferences lie ahead of taking a decision, automatically qualifies for rejection.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J176	Poole Town	(a)-(h) The first stage of CGR was not made widely available unless you happened across the Have Your Say website, and I say this as a BCP employee too who gets the Need to Know emails and as a resident signed up to the BCP emails. The implications of CGR were not sufficiently explained to the widest number of BCP residents via leaflets to every household. And so we find ourselves at Stage 3 with a massive Poole Town Council being proposed. One of the arguments for the CGR proposals was so that local decisions could be made instead of by 76 BCP Councillors - but the proposal is for a Poole Town Council with 42 Councillors in any case - 55% of the number on BCP! This is way too large for governance to be considered 'local' - I don't want Councillors in e.g. Canford Cliffs deciding where my Town Council precept is spent! In addition, it is creating another large level of bureaucracy within the area - we already have one really effective Creekmoor Councillor who is very active on behalf on Creekmoor residents. We also have one very ineffective Lib Dem Councillor in Creekmoor who is pretty much notable by his absence on local concerns and who did nothing to explain why CGR would work for Creekmoor at a recent local meeting about this consultation. The vast area covered by the proposed Poole Town encompasses too many diverse wards which would go against the requirements for creating community cohesion. Some wards have a very affluent population and others have multiple deprivations - the needs of these different communities cannot be effectively met by such a large Town Council covering so many diverse parishes. Much better to parish at the ward or ward grouping level in the way that there are in the former Christchurch Borough.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J177	Poole Town	(a)I did not agree when the proposal to establish BCP Council. I felt it was proposed not to enhance services for residents or in the best interests of residents, but more about greed. Since this is where we are, I cannot see the point of changing it as it will involve significant expense. It also seems very complicated. (b)I live on the Poole side of Wallisdown Road, just off of the Wallisdown Road close to the shopping area. I cannot understand why my property would come under the Alderney ward. I do not see what benefits splitting the conurbation in all these areas will be for residents. No doubt all of us will have to pay more in Council Tax.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5

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J178	Poole Town	(f) I do not agree to the idea of having town councils. They provide very little benefit and are expensive to run. I used to live in Middlewich Cheshire so have many years experience of a town council, we had a police investigation on the town clerk, issues with the cemetery accounts, loss making annual festival, reduction in social calender, resignations so by elections, online abuse of councillors (including by councillors). I note on line abuse was also an issue in a northern council (Yarm) where the bbc report that all 12 councillors resigned due to a toxic atmosphere, our local Facebook suggests it would be similar here. Your document is full of changes to boundies which will be a continual issue (expense) as new housing changes the populations of each area. It also states that Christchurch didn't consult with Hurn over their proposal, showing small TCS don't have power. I am pleased with the social offering side of BCP, it is far better than in Cheshire East. I do not think splitting the area into town councils will offer any benefit to me, just an extra expense. The idea of employing a town clerk for each area to control a small budget for cemeteries, benches and allotments just doesn't make sense, you would not see a similar situation in business. Each clerk would be audited (another expense) when we are all realising the budget for areas people do not show any online concern. Poole is a big area and the social section is not evenly spaced so I do not see how your proposal will give people a greater voice or feel more connected to the community. Town councils when properly run can offer small benefits to small towns, Poole just isn't a sensible proposition due yo it's size (the same applies to Bournemouth)	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J179	Poole Town	...	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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J180	Poole Town	1. I do not understand and so see the reason for forming another layer of local government. Poole Council was abolished/merged with Bournemouth and Christchurch and this was meant to yield cost benefits... „where are they?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J181	Poole Town	42 councillors is that replacing BCP staff? Who is paying for those 42 councillors, their offices, their equipment, etc... Poole and Christchurch councils were both successful councils prior to the merger with Bournemouth, since BCP I haven't seen anything improve only standards dropping, vape form money dropping, the town dropping. It's the best solution really to 'employee a load of other people to do our job' I'm happy with this proposal if it makes the end of BCP, otherwise BCP needs to rocket up then to reduce the number of people involved in making decisions and to come together on a clear vision that the whole council works towards instead we have far too many people and far too many compromised resulting in per decision after our decision with other to no consideration to the residents that foot the bill. Will this proposal improve things for most areas, yes, should we have it, possibly, who does the cost verses return look from those people paying the bill... Does anyone know what that bill might look like?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J182	Poole Town	a - disagree with whole concept, extra cost and bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J183	Poole Town	a - h I disagree with all the recommendations. The proposal offers no new services, and no improvements to existing services - it offers only an increase in administration costs!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J184	Poole Town	a - I disagree with an additional layer of tax that would be required for a parish council. If anything Poole should exist as a separate council to Bournemouth, as was always the residents preferred choice.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J185	Poole Town	'a' - if we already have 3 BCP councillors for Merley & Bearwood why do we need a parish council? Why are the 3 councillors not doing this job?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J186	Poole Town	a - no need to change no actual [unknown] b - no new boundary as should revert if one council c - parish is not need as (a) d - just another layer of bureaucratic waffle e - no need as previous answer f - just jobs for the boys g - as above h - will the councillors use the [unknown] equipment or waste money on [unknown]	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J187	Poole Town	A - Poole is an absolute mess because BCP council are failing in their delivery of services. Adding an extra layer of beurocracy and extra councillors will not fix this issue, only make it worse and remove accountability from those elected and paid to deliver services to residents!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J188	Poole Town	A - stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. B - stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. C - stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. D - stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. E- stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. F- stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. G-stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work. h - stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J189	Poole Town	A - Totally disagree with this being suggested. We previously had separate councils and they merged to save money. Now you're suggesting have even more councils which I'll cost even more money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J190	Poole Town	a 16/10/2024 ? There is already a framework with the Charter Trustees for the former Borough of Poole. Consultative, open communication with the current BCP Council officials should provide sufficient information and content for planning and oversight of the requirements of the residents in this Borough without the need for 42 additional salaried, governance staff.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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J191	Poole Town	a and e. Strongly disagree with establishing a town council for Poole. It creates additional layers of bureaucracy and cost with no tangible benefit. Very limited statutory powers are given to town councils who act merely as a consultee on key decisions that BCP will make. More Cody to council tax payers with no benefit. Sort out the governance and outputs of BCP rather than creating more cost and administration. It is too late to roll back the clock to when Poole Council existing, accept this, move on and make BCP work. As someone who recently moved from a part of the country with a new town council under a unitary authority, I saw no benefit to residents, purely an additional significant precept on our council tax.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J192	Poole Town	a Another layer of costly bureaucracy we don't need	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J193	Poole Town	'a' 'b' and 'c' I do not agree with a further level of government on the grounds of cost. In my opinion BCP should either continue as at present or preferably revert to the position before it was formed. We do not need the extra cost of more councillors.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J194	Poole Town	'a' 'b' 'c'	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J195	Poole Town	A complete waste of time, money and resources.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J196	Poole Town	A completely unnecessary extra layer of local Government that will be little more than a talking shop and pander to the egos of certain local councillors and Charter trustee members. Of no value financially or socially to the town as proposed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J197	Poole Town	A I strongly disagree as Poole and the area you have highlighted is divided into social economic groups with such large and varied disparities. The chance of involving a cross section of the community would be very low and certain areas in Canford Cliffs would struggle to find elected Councillors whereas other areas might possibly have a strong community involvement. Our current larger organisational group enables a fair and proportionate investment in the region as a whole. It would be very easy for the Parish Council to loose sight of the variation of areas under their control.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J198	Poole Town	A I strongly disagree with this proposal. I do not see a benefit to residents, I do not agree that this proposal can be implemented without prior knowledge of the cost associated with it. At a time when the cost of living has increased considerably adding extra cost in council tax is unacceptable.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J199	Poole Town	A parish council is just wasting money. Why was the council merged into BCP to now setup Parish councils, what a waste of time money and effort. There are much better things to spend our tax payers money on then setting up a parish. Millions were wasted setting up BCP it should have been left as it was.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH14 0
J200	Poole Town	A people can't afford 2 council taxes	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J201	Poole Town	A second layer of local government is not necessary. I can see no benefit to the residents of the town.The only benefit will be to the council as a way of increasing revenue	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J202	Poole Town	'a' This whole thing is ridiculous! Poole was fine before the mess of BCP was created. another layer of 'parish' or 'town' council is simply a way of getting residents to pay more on their council tax, by way of another 'precept', which may start out as a relatively small amount, but would have the facility and ability to be loaded in the future. BCP would be able to offload anything they don't want to deal with financially , socially, educationally, care etc and Poole could simply become a SCAPEGOAT for anything that didn't quite work out - in all likelihood, due to BCP inefficiencies, ignorance and inadequacy in any arena you care to name: this opinion has evolved from the experience of having lived under control of BCP since its mistaken inception. Both Poole and Christchurch seem to have been overwhelmingly ignored in favour of Bournemouth on any and every scale, so my guess it that anything a 'bit too hot to handle' will be passed to the 'parish/town. council. Either we resume 3 separate areas of Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth - as was - or hope we can chuck out the current councillors in the next election, as they are simply pursuing their own pet projects and ignoring the fact that some previous (and still current) councillors should be investigated for possible malpractice.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J203	Poole Town	A to g - I don't agree with what you are proposing. You are basically pretending to be democratic by publishing this paper but you do not listen to the people e.g. closure of Poole Park, resistance to cycle lanes etc and obviously creation of BCP! Do you not realise there is a cost of living crisis and people just want a council providing value for money. This proposal is just a huge to show Government that you have ticked some democracy box.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J204	Poole Town	A Town Council is just another layer of unnecessary bureaucratic governance. We already pay for BCP to deal with the areas the Town Council will cover, we don't need to pay twice for this. Totally disagree with thie proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J205	Poole Town	A I disagree with the idea of charging even more money on top of the council tax we pay. The idea behind this is to generate more money on our council tax, without having to go to government to get it authorised. Another level of bureaucracy that will cost more money, seeing little value for money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J206	Poole Town	A) - do we REALLY need another layer of administration to run the town? I feel we need an accountable and properly managed BCP council team. Delegating 'discretionary' responsibilities to so many areas will, I fear, result in protracted and biased decision making. B etc - everything else is based on the supposition about agreeing with the town council recommendation so my answers are indicative but rather abivalent (sorry).	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J207	Poole Town	a) A Poole town council would be too big. The proposal is to split parts of Bournemouth and Christchurch into small Parish councils yet this proposal combines the whole of Poole into one council. This is incredibly unequal - we have always been aware that the combined BCP council does not like Poole and will discriminate against them as much as they can legally get away with - this is definitely a shining example of this. b) Same reason as above it is too large an area c) As above d) As above e) As above f) If a Poole town council were to be created it should include Broadstone. Broadstone lies on the border of the BCP council area and is flanked on 3 sides by Creekmoor, Merley and Canford Heath. The only possible reason for the proposal that Broadstone be separate from Poole is that this was decided by the ex leader of the council Vicky Slade and her husband Paul. They live in Broadstone and Vicky is now MP for Broadstone - this is another shining example of them ensuring that the area they live in is not swallowed up in an unwieldy and likely very expensive large Town Council. g) The reasoning for 42 councillors is purely because the proposal is to create a monster town council which is likely to cost us all a fortune. Town councils were originally designed for small rural towns to have a say in the amenities and services that are important to them. Poole and all its distinct wards is NOT A SMALL RURAL TOWN	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J208	Poole Town	a) A Town council of 42 Councillors is totally unworkable. There is an imbalance - BCP has a total of 76 Councillors across the Unitary body covering Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole - so more than half the number of councillors will represent c20% of the area. Also, Parkstone, with just 3 Councillors, will have limited voice amongst 42. There will no control over what can be charged for the initial precept, and with such a large cohort of Councillors, 25% will be swallowed up with Admin & set-up costs. Also, likely volunteer Councillors will have strong political views, and a back-door for Reform UK.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J209	Poole Town	a) and (d) I disagree with the establishment of a parish and a parish/town council for Poole. I cannot see any reason for this upheaval. It is not very long since we all gave our opinions on the disbanding of the former parish and town councils, shortly before BCP Council was created. This created enough change and made residents anxious. BCP Council is now well-established and we residents are perfectly happy with the situation. The council is working well and we do not need any additional councils. Creating town and parish councils would be a backwards step; it would be unwieldy, unnecessary and old-fashioned. It has no place in modern local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J210	Poole Town	a) area proposed is too big b) extra councillors resulting in extra cost c) there will be no limit on council tax increases d) cannot see the benefit to my local community This is why I strongly disagree with all proposals	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J211	Poole Town	a) As a resident of Parkstone, only having 3 Councillors out of 42 would mean that they would have virtually zero 'say' in local matters. The area proposed for a Poole Town council is far too large to give any areas a 'local' say. f) To include all these areas makes a mockery of suggesting it would 'improve community engagement'. A plan for a Parish Council for Parkstone was submitted, which would provide much better value for residents of Parkstone. This would only require a small administration cost whereas a large Poole Town Council - similar to Christchurch Town Council - would inevitably mean that much more of the precept would be taken up with administration, so much less money would be available for spending on community improvements.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J212	Poole Town	a) as I don't wish to have a parish council at all b-f are of no interest to me. g) 42 councillors will just be adding another layer of bureaucracy g) Creekmoor has 2 councillors on BCP why does the parish council need 3	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J213	Poole Town	A) completely disagree, why combined BCP when you now want to have parish councils, surely BCP should be completing the requirements of each area of BCP under the one council, that's what we pay council tax for!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J214	Poole Town	a) Disagree with an extra tier of Local Government having had reorgansiations in 1997 and 2019. b) Extra tiers of Authority results in additional bureaucracy, duplication and cost. c) This leads to residents effectively paying twice for the same services d) Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions e) The total cost of local government can be expected to be higher in authorities with the additional tier of Town/Parish Councils f) Having sought to delayer local authority provision in 1997 and 2019 within BCP localities, for economy and efficiency reasons, the logical approach is to delayer not create additional layers of local authority g) The areas proposed do not fit well together involving very different characteristics	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J215	Poole Town	A) Disagree, BCP was established in 2019 in which covid occurred the following year. BCP itself is new and any changes will only distrust and annoyance towards BCP/new town/parish council create. b) As I am from Waterloo, I do not see myself as a Poole, to me this ends at Oakdale/Longfleet. C) Poole is Poole, Canford [unknown] d) then isn't it just a town council e) it's Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole sub areas so no, merely is not Poole f) should only be old town, longfleet and [unknown] parkstone, Hamworthy East and Oakdale ward. g/h) if to occur will the departments being transferred transfer equipment.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J216	Poole Town	a) disagree. no need for a parish of Poole. f) Oakdale already has 2 councillors who haven't made a huge difference, why do we need 3? Why isn't Broadstone included in the parish of Poole. In general: I can't see any positives in this proposal as well as being asked to comment on the unknown - we don't know what the cost implications will be. Why do we have BCP council. We are going backwards with adding more bureaucracy and layers-wasting.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH14 0
J217	Poole Town	a) Having spent the evening at the Creekmoor community centre in a meeting with councillors, Jude Butt, Paul Slate, having read the published information I do not believe residents have been given sufficient information to make an informed decision. We do not know which services would be transferred and more importantly the additional cost we would need to pay for the services BCP should be providing (I would not expect any rebate).	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J218	Poole Town	a) I am strongly opposed to the concept of Poole having a town council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J219	Poole Town	a) I can see no reasons why we need another level of bureaucracy to run this area. I see that there will be conflict of interests and money being wasted.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J220	Poole Town	a) I do not think we should have a town council. If BCP is unable to operate successfully as a unitary authority, then it should be dissolved and go back to Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch Councils. We do not need to have two layers of bureaucracy. There has been no justification for creating town councils, no costing, no details of any benefits. All I can see are costs, and the whole argument for merging the three councils was to save money and so far this appears to have been an unmitigated disaster. Poole Council were a good council, but I now feel Poole has been dragged down to Bournemouth's previous level.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J221	Poole Town	a) I don't believe we need a further level of bureaucracy to be introduced. Creekmoor is served very well by 2 councillors	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J222	Poole Town	A) i feel strongly that a parish council should not be established in Poole for several reasons: This seems like an additional layer of bureaucracy, which will further confuse BCP residents about who is responsible for which services and civic duties. Having subsidiary organisations within BCP could break down cohesion between different parishes This will give BCP other councils to act as scapegoats when the council fails to meet promises on services. Fundamentally it seems like additional complexity and cost with no aim or benefits	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J223	Poole Town	a) I feel that if the advantage of a town council is to provide localised services, creating such a large council for the whole of Poole will not deliver this. I live in Creekmoor and my fear is that resources won't be targeted in my area, instead it will be the larger population in Poole that will receive the support. I resent paying extra Council Tax if I do not see benefit in my local area. f) g) the number of proposed areas and councillors seems too many and does not deliver the localised decision making that I thought would be the advantage of a town council. It feels that there will be too many areas fighting for resources and I can see smaller areas being overlooked for funds.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J224	Poole Town	a) I totally disagree about having a new parish b) as above - no need for new parish or boundaries c) irrelevant - no need d) waste of money and time! e) irrelevant (do not want) f) not needed g) in reality, excessive! h) excessive!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J225	Poole Town	a) my main disagreement with this plan is that it has not been costed, no one can give an answer to the question, and it is unclear what the responsibilities of a 'town council' will be. It seems that BCP will be adding an additional separate cost for the running of duties it takes over from BCP ex maintenance of park areas as an example. BCP council tax is restricted to a 5% annual increase. Poole Town council tax is not restricted on annual increase. No control on cost. (b & c) Have ticked 'somewhat agree' on the organisation and set up of wards and councillors of a town council IF it is set up. (Not agreeing to the actual recommendation of financing it without the cost of it being known an a restriction of annual increase.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J226	Poole Town	a) No extra layer of administration needs to be added as at a time of shortage of many extra costs not needed. c) d) Boundaries are arbitrary along arterial routes and do not reflect areas and amenities used. Also two councils meet on Wallisdown rd so nothing ever done. f) g) h) As shown before each area should have about 11,000 residents per councillor that would mean 21 not 42	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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J227	Poole Town	a) No further layer of governance are needed and I do not want council costs increased to cover this proposed additional alyer. b) d) The boundaries are totally arbitrary and do not reflect what people use and where they go. They should NOT be divided along main arterial routes - prior to BCP it was impossible for anything to be done on Wallisdown Road due to the two old councils never agreeing. f) g) h) The districts are too small. They should be combined to give an electorate of 10 to 12 thousand and assigned ONE councillor. They could then team up to get cover and better understand the electorate. If a split is needed then it should be for everything as it was pre BCP or left alone. This way we have protection from increasing costs. In reality NOTHING is required.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J228	Poole Town	a) not needed, BCP already exists. b) current polling districts within BCP already outlined. c) Name is already established d) Parish of Poole not needed. Already part of BCP. e) BCP already use Poole councillors within BCP. f) Poole council [unknown] under BCP g) already got existing wards under BCP h) Poole area already has councillors within BCP. i) councillor was already allotted to existing BCP wards.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J229	Poole Town	a) One single "parish" encompassing most of current Poole would be too large and meaningless to local democracy. Merley, has little (if anything) in common with, say Sandbanks. b) Likewise, having one "parish" boundary covering most of Poole, is, again, meaningless to residents. Basically, this just duplicates the current BCP wards. c), d) and e) Again, the name of Poole for the whole new council tier just duplicates the current arrangement. f) 17 wards again just basically reflects the current arrangement. Why does Broadstone get its own Town Council (with a councillor:voter ratio of 640:1 and 14 councillors; likewise Northbourne/Redhill of 859:1 and 9 councillors), whilst Merley ends up lumped in with the rest of Poole with a ratio of 2,807:1 and only two representatives? g) There seems to be a great disparity in representation. Throop/Holdenhurst has (and will continue to have) 85 voters per councillor. Merley (as part of Poole) ends up with just two councillors as part of the 2,807:1 ratio. This does not seem fair or equitable, or indeed democratic. Has population growth been correctly calculated, especially with all the new housing in Merley? Two councillors seems very small beer. h) Merley looks towards Wimborne, rather than Poole, for so many things. As noted above, it has little in common or connection with areas it's being joined with in this proposal. I realise Wimborne is in Dorset Council, but if one is looking for real local democracy and representation, and a connection with a sense of "place", then Merley is more strongly attached to Wimborne than it is to Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J230	Poole Town	a) There is no need for more bureaucracy in Poole. The current BCP is already far from efficient so adding more moving parts will only further reduce services and add to costs. g) Who will pay for 42 councillors and their expenses? What will they do? We already have council representatives within our community so don't need anymore.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J231	Poole Town	a) There would be no need for a new layer of government if Central government took responsibility for SEND and adult social care; our local councillors have become bureaucrats with no discretion to spend tax money raised locally on local priorities. Councillors elected to BCP council should be able to direct money to weekly bin collections or park beautification schemes, not just nod through national SEND and social care allocations.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J232	Poole Town	a) This will simply add another layer of incompetence, and somewhat insulate those who currently have responsibility from many of the decisions made recently which have so angered and frustrated many residents. Why merge three councils on the dubious argument of efficiency only to create a multitude of small units each of which has little authority to act. I suspect they will however, if created get much of the blame!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J233	Poole Town	a) we do not need a parish of Poole, as we already have BCP. Too many cooks	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J234	Poole Town	a) we do not need another council BCP should be doing what I pay my taxes for	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J235	Poole Town	a) Why do we need an extra layer of councillors over and above those already within BCP ? It seems to be just extra layers of management just for the sake of it, or you have been given the mandate to do it by the new government and have thus decided it would be a good thing for BCP. The BCP council and councillors should concentrate on doing a better job of managing the current council and not waste resources on creating completely unnecessary parish and town councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J236	Poole Town	A) why split what just been amalgamated. Thus leave as is. Prefer to keep costs down	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J237	Poole Town	a, At great expense to the people, BCP was formed even though it was not wanted by most people, We do not want more cost's and more councillors now, as it is a waste of our money. There is enough snouts in the trough already.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 2
J238	Poole Town	a, b, c, d, e, because it's another big cone	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J239	Poole Town	'a, b, c, d, e, f, g & h' I strongly disagree with the formation of parish councils within the BCP area at all. The reason being this will affect financially the total amount of council tax or a precept there of, that, we, the electorate will need to pay annually. This proposal is not costed or funded and is not worthy of consideration and must be thrown out.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J240	Poole Town	a, b, c, d, e, f, g I disagree with all off the proposals with regard to a Poole Parish Council, and I believe that it is not necessary, and is beaurocracy overkill. I also believe that if set up, it would inevitably be controlled by infiltrated BCP councilors undermining the true desires of the people of the Borough of Poole. Being a precept on the BCP council tax, it concerns me of the correct handling of any finances concerned, and where the interest accrued could be diverted to. It is obvious to me, that all of the shared concessionary responsibilities would be almost instantly dropped by BCP and dumped onto a new Poole Town Council, if formed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J241	Poole Town	A, B, D. I am not sure that this is the way to proceed at the moment due to the proposed super councils. Anything that we do at the moment without a clear picture of what is happening is likely to be a waste of time and effort, so I disagree with the proposal's.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J242	Poole Town	'a', 'c', 'd' More layers, more bureaucracy, more delays to implementing any initiative. Why create BCP to remove duplication just to devolve responsibility? Why add confusion to who does what? Concentrate on getting BCP right. 'g', 'h' Who will manage, direct and get agreement from 42 councillors in an effort to make progress?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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J243	Poole Town	a, d in particular. We formerly had a Poole Council which served us well. The merger into BCP has resulted in reduced services, lack of local representation and lack of respect. Introducing a town council to deal with minor local matters such as parks and community centres will not rectify the harm done by the creation of BCP. It will simply raise costs for council tax payers and introduce more layers of bureaucracy with little benefit. To me it looks as if this is a straightforward revenue raising exercise- passing off as many current BCP duties as possible to the parish council for which a separate charge will then be made. Given that BCP would no longer be providing the services for which we currently pay them, one might assume that our council tax will then be reduced?! No where in the consultation does BCP comment as to whether this will be the case. There is a huge amount of information provided for this, clearly very expensive exercise, but nowhere does BCP explain why they are not capable of providing services re parks etc and why it needs another body to carry out these services.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
J244	Poole Town	a, f. I think that setting a "coucil" for Poole just complicates who is responsible for what service in Poole. We have just gone through amalgamating the three councils into BCP. I do not wish the creation of another layer of local government having had some experience of working as an accountant in a local authority for some years.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J245	Poole Town	A, The whole process adds additional bureaucracy and less accountability.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J246	Poole Town	A, this is unnecessary.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J247	Poole Town	A,,c,d,e,f, I disagree with Town parish Councils being established again . The title suggests BCP BOURNEMOUTH CHRISTCHURCH POOLE council under this title I cannot understand why confuse the running of services with more add one's . The more agencies involve means slower response times as there will be more departments more paperwork which sits idly in in trays and out trays whilst consumers are left in limbo waiting on services to be implemented. If there is changes to be made then perhaps look inside the the current administration to regulate performance and delivery . As unnecessary councils makes for layers with zero benefits. I am hoping that the council will listen to the electorate and deliver on their instructions.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J248	Poole Town	a,b and c. The only thing that would benefit Poole, is if BCP is disbanded and the three towns become separate entities as before the BCP group was dictatorially formed. There was no proper consultation and the forming of BCP was forced upon us. Poole will benefit is if it goes back to being solely Poole borough council as it used to be. This adding of layers is not only adding a bureaucratic layer of governance, but will add to the council tax precept. BCP needs disbanding immediately as it just doesn't work. Also, why is Broadstone being separated from Poole? there is not enough detail as this smacks of it being separated due to the wishes of the local mp?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J249	Poole Town	A,b,c,d We don't want this, in any way shape or form. A,b,c,d we don't Identify with these boundaries	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J250	Poole Town	a,b,c,d and any other. Another layer of bureaucracy is not required in the BCP area. There is no rush to make a decision today or next year. If any party has reason to believe Community Governance is needed that subject can be part of the manifesto at the next local elections in May 2027.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J251	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,f, - This all seems unnecessary. Things in Poole seem to work perfectly as they are as a Charter Trustee area and do so at low cost and minimal interference.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J252	Poole Town	A,b,c,d,e,f,g and h. I disagree strongly with all of the draft recommendations as I think multiple layers of councils add complication to the process of providing services that we all need. Keep the council processes simple, central and efficient.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J253	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h No extra level of local bureaucracy should be added, this will only give BCP more reasons to derelict their existing duties at an added cost to the residents with no additional benefits.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J254	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,g,f,g,h,l We had a Poole council before BCP was formed now you want to go back to a Poole Council seems to me a complete waste of time & money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J255	Poole Town	a,f,g. I disagree with the proposal since there appear to be no costings given with respect to changes in Council Tax levels. An organisation of 42 councillors will be unwieldy and will probably require the employment of full time officials to operate.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 2
J256	Poole Town	A. I do not agree with this proposal FULL STOP - it's another way of getting money out of residents due to the total mess made by BCP Council. In other words, putting the onus on residents to raise money to fill holes in the BCP coffers due to bad management.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J257	Poole Town	a. I object to another layer of governance and the extra costs that would obviously be incurred as there is already sufficient oversight by BCP Council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7

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J258	Poole Town	A. Another level of bureaucracy, and despite the the unpaid work of councillors, is going to involve considerable on-costs. Even the cost of this consultation is completely unnecessary.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J259	Poole Town	A. I do not support the creation of a town council for Poole, speaking both as a resident and a ward Cllr. It is an unnecessary extra layer of governance. B.I do not agree with parishing of Poole C, d e g and h all as above, speaking as a resident and ward Cllr for Talbot and Branksome Woods. My comments are based on representations from residents in T and BW ward. Every conversation email and letter without exception has been to express reservation on formation of a Town council for Poole. Residents even if unhappy with the current BCP council see no need for another layer of governance, are concerned about the prospect of an uncapped precept, and do not see a Town council as a mechanism for an improved and stronger community particularly as TBW ward would be split into two different Councils, creating inequity and actually dividing their community.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J260	Poole Town	a. It is a huge waste of money. Our money. We combined the original Poole Council with Bournemouth and Christchurch to create BCP as it would save us money and provide better services, now we want to introduce another layer of bureaucracy which we have to pay for on top of BCP. Sort out BCP so that it works for the people as it was designed to.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J261	Poole Town	a. This is totally unnecessary. It will add an additional layer of bureaucracy which will cause the following problems. At the moment there is on epoint of contact for all Council matters. To have two, people will be confused as to which to contact. They could be pushed between the two authorities. There will be uncertainty about which Councillors to contact. The proposed Boundary splits Wallisdown Road between Poole and Bournemouth. Prior to BCP there was often confusion about the respective responsibilities of Poole & Bournemouth. BCP Staff time will be taken up liaising with the Town Council. Currently the service provided by BCP leaves a lot to be desired. That time would be better spent improving the service provided by BCP. BCP is not sufficiently large to warrant it. The size is such that it will never achieve the object of having more local involvement. It is unnecessary. b. The boundary is not co terminus with the BCP Council Wards. Talbot Village is in the Talbot & Branksome Wood ward for BCP. The proposals spilt that ward. This will cause more confusion. g. To have another 42 Councillors is just unnecessary. It is over half the number for BCP as a whole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J262	Poole Town	A. We already had a council in Poole that was merged in to BCP council that we had no say in, now you want to add in more councillors and more cost to people, and for what so that the councillors on BCP can have less to do and still earn the same	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J263	Poole Town	ABC: This is an unnecessary because of reasons D to G outlined below. DEFGH: *This is an extra layer of bureaucracy that will contribute nothing extra, at additional cost in terms of 42 extra councillors wages. * It will increase confusion in which council is responsible for what services and responsibilities. * It will be a detriment to the cohesion of the community, serving to divide rather than unite. *These new councils have no statutory powers and do not replace BCP. BCP should therefore improve their own services instead of delegating and shirking their roles and responsibilities onto other councillors, thereby avoiding or deflecting issues of accountability onto this new buffer layer of stooges. This is not real devolution, if that was the intention. *BCP should disband into its original three councils and admit failure, or otherwise improve their services, rather than creating new councils to do their jobs for them.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J264	Poole Town	ABCDEFGH All changes as they would very likely entail increases in Council Tax which is already too high. The Current Council cannot do the simplest of jobs at present so I do not want to give them more money to fritter away on overheads and councillors expenses. Do what you should do look after the elderly build homes for hard pressed families that are affordable not high rise apartments in the centre of Poole for people to retire to from elsewhere. We do not need parish councils as another layer of the onion of government someone else for you to blame when you do things wrong. Have you nothing better to do with your time and our money just get the roads fixed no more unnecessary cycle lanes better bus services for those of us with no cars	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J265	Poole Town	abcdefghi We do not need any extra layers of council employees interfering with what is happening at the present,rather they concentrate on what is needed to be done at the present time with the present regime.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J266	Poole Town	Abolish all parish councils across BCP, and certainly do not set up any new ones. Stop wasting council tax funding on additional levels of governance that is not required. What tangible value for money to they actually provide, zero. BCP has a number of problems (poor road infrastructure/congestion, roads full of pot holes, a huge homeless and drug/alcohol abuse problem, not enough public services [schools, hospitals, GPs, NHS dentists] for all the new housing estates that are being built) and BCP council what to use council tax funding which could be directed to those issues, to set up Parish Councils who would more likely be made up of old, straight, white, able bodied men, who do not reflect the diversity of the area. BCP have almost bankrupted themselves, implemented ill thought out Green policies/legislation, so we don't need more of the same.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J267	Poole Town	Additional cost another layer of governance will add	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J268	Poole Town	afraid that council tax would rise steeply. Having more councillors would cost a lot more especially when BCP is in dire financial straits. Dont think having a town council would benefit me. Coucillors should work for free.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J269	Poole Town	After the huge cost involved in merging all 3 local councils into BCP I personally feel that this council has wasted enough of the tax payers money on merging the 3 local areas. Now to spend even more of our precious funds to rip them apart again is utter madness	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J270	Poole Town	a-h) There is nothing beneficial in adding extra layers of bureaucracy. There are already too many hoops to jump through before anything ever gets done.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J271	Poole Town	a-h) I am happy with current situation	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J272	Poole Town	a-h) I don't see any value in adding any extra layers of bureaucracy and government administration. Particularly if the new 42 councillors will have limited power. What was the point of continuing councils?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J273	Poole Town	a-h, a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h There is no need for further levels of administration. You haven't shown how this would benefit the local population or BCP as a whole. It just seems to be a way of diverting work from the existing council, making their lives easier at the expense of everyone else. We need a breakdown of cost benefits before something like this is proposed	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J274	Poole Town	a-h. I see no need for this additional formation of local bureaucracy. BCP generally and Poole specifically is well represented by local councillors who are paid to carry out governance in their wards and with a wider eye for the whole of BCP. Any Town Council, or whatever, will just be costly tokenism. Let's concentrate on making what we have work, rather than muddle the waters with something that sounds good but in practice is next to useless or effective.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
J275	Poole Town	All - it is wrong for there to be any additional councils / councillors in any region. The current councillors of BCP have confidently put themselves forward to be voted in to run the local area based on the situation as it currently is / was, so now is the time to step up and put their money where your mouth is and solve the problems without causing more for the local residents. It would be highly inappropriate for this council to move the goalposts half way through their (massively underwhelming) term and create new entities. It's clear that given the appalling behaviour of the controlling alliance, that the move would purely be a vehicle to hack off the services that cannot currently be 'afforded' and all of these white elephants would be passed on to the new 'councils' at which point BCP would claim that they are in a great place whilst the new councils would be failing. I also have no doubt that the councillors and in particular the leader of BCP would constantly throw mud at the new entities and blame them for the inevitable shortcomings. The divisive nature of the Liberal Democrats in particular as well as the rest of the Three Towns Alliance means that nothing positive is ever achieved as they are too busy shirking accountability and blaming everybody else for their many failings. Any new council would also have the partisan issues that plague BCP Council and it isn't right at all.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J276	Poole Town	All comments: We were previously had a Poole town council but were pushed into the newly created BCP being told things like " it will be more efficient" and "It will be more cost effective" we were told the three towns would be "treated equally fairly" . BCP has been a failure, and now BCP are trying to side step their responsibilities by pushing things they are unable to do onto new town councils as they are unable to fund things as they should.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J277	Poole Town	All of the above: you are adding additional layers of bureaucracy and more cost to residents before you can even provide essential services as BCP. You have not provided budgets or declared exactly what the purpose of these new councils will be. Will our council tax to BCP be reduced by the same amount we are to be charged for this new council? You need to stop wasting money on pie in the sky ideas like this and go back to your true purpose: providing essential services at value for money to your residents	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J278	Poole Town	All of them ABC etc . as this is blantly a way round national govenment parameters for countil tax fixed at the 4.99 %,there are no descriptive costs or what services will be transffered to Parish Councils ,its away of moving the goal posts to increase incoming revenue above the Govenment sealing .and whos to say after the first year there are no gurantees that more services agian withn more costs will be transffered to the parish council ,local control is not a bad thing but you wouldnt agree to buy a servcie without knowing what you are buying and how much it will cost ,if im paying for a service already in my council tax why should I pay a duplicate cost for what im already paying for to local govenment and then pay an extra cost to a parish council that has no consultation to what services are transffered . The national govenment carved up our local councils to create a super council BCP to control spending and get a grip on local govenment services all it has done is nearly bankrupt itself ,now in an indistinct way its being carved up again and doubling costs .	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J279	Poole Town	all of them. I think adding extra councillors is the wrong way to save money. Will us tax payers be paying 2 forms of council tax?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J280	Poole Town	All proposals Increased bureaucracy is the last thing needed. BCP is enough. It smacks of "jobs for the boys" It will not make things any better and will not improve anything at all.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0

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J281	Poole Town	All Sections. Why on earth would we want another 42 councillors all claiming expenses at our cost. Let alone providing all the admin necessary behind them. We have a perfectly good council as it is. Any further cost to tax payers is the last thing we need. And don't forget these costs always escalate as the power goes to their heads. Forget this idea before it's too late. Shame on you Liberal Democrats. I thought you had more sense.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J282	Poole Town	All) the cost implications for a town council will be huge on residents. Community resources have always be funded by local government, there should be no change in this. If there are shortage in budgets then stop paying your managing officers 6 figure salaries for pushing paper round a desk	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J283	Poole Town	All. We do not need another layer of bureaucracy in our lives.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J284	Poole Town	All. Yet another tier of local bureaucracy which is unnecessary and at additional cost	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J285	Poole Town	All. Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional beaurocracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J286	Poole Town	ALL. I disagree with all of this, we already have a council with councillors and a mayor. The cost of this will effect a lot of people. If this Council isn't working for the people then let's go back to separate councils, because this is how this all sounds, but with extra charges!.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J287	Poole Town	All: There are already too many layers of governance and councilors, it is already very difficult to get proper decisions made in a timely manner without adding further layers of governance and cost. If anything the existing system should be thinned down to streamline processes and enable progress.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
J288	Poole Town	Another unwanted level of management that will cost people money. The number of existing coucili members should be reduced as should the number of MP's..	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J289	Poole Town	As I do not agree with the proposal, I have expressed indifference to its suggested boundaries and structure. I believe in efficient and effective local government, not the creation of additional layers which absorb resources in performing an essentially ceremonial function.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J290	Poole Town	As I have said about Broadstone this also applies to Poole this is a total waste of money. This is going to cost millions to set up and BCP are already in Debt and should not even think about setting up any Parish or Town councils it is another level of bureaucracy that we could all do without and jolly well do not have the money to do. Spend it on projects not on people doing things that we already have people at BCP to do or should be doing.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J291	Poole Town	As I read this I'm in the understanding that this is in addition to the BCP councilors who already exist? An exact duplicate of people, boundaries, voices. I can only see this serving those people on the committee. Nobody really has interaction with a mayor, and if the mayor had gone a decade ago, few would notice. This is providing money for ceremony, and I don't support that. People are struggling with cash, this is not a good spend of their money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH12 1
J292	Poole Town	at no point is there NY INDICATION OF HOW THIS WILL INCREASE OUR COUNCIL CHARGES AND IT SEEMS A LOT OF COUNCILLORS FOR A SMALL AREA WHEN WE DONT KNOW WHAT WILL BE DEVOLVED TO THEM AND THEY WILL ALL CLEARLY MAKE FINANCIAL CLAIMS FOR THEIR WORK WHERE DOES THIS MONEY COME FROM.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J293	Poole Town	B) I think the boundaries are too broad and don't tie in with the identity of smaller areas. Waterloo for example I believe should be part of Broadstone rather than Creekmoor as it feels much more connected to Broadstone than Creekmoor especially given the fact that the Broadstone Way divides it off from Creekmoor. I do also think it is strange that Merley would be classed as Poole Town despite Broadstone being closer.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J294	Poole Town	b) The boundary does not reflect the Alderney area. Should this stupid wasteful idea go ahead then the area to the west of Ringwood Road around Littlemoor Ave and Paddington Grove should be in Bearwood Ward. However hopefully this stupid idea will fall flat on its face with less than 10% of the electors even replying to this misleading consultation.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J295	Poole Town	BCP don't listen to current views on spending (particularly around bus and cycle lanes, 20 zones, etc), so increasing the level of bureaucracy will neither save money or benefit the residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J296	Poole Town	BCP has earned a newsworthy reputation for an inability to provide adequate services for residents. A recent example was a safer road scheme. We spoke to the people who were doing the survey who were not local residents. They arrived early p.m when parking and local traffic are at their lightest. They disregarded our suggestions which were based on local and daily observations. A great deal of money was spent and has made little difference except pedestrians now have to avoid cyclists going the wrong way as well as the cars parked on the pavement.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J297	Poole Town	BCP must continue to run all services. I do not support the creation of a parish council and the additional costs of council tax administrative and unnecessary additional councillors.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J298	Poole Town	BCP should already be doing this for Poole, we pay enough Council Tax as it is. It is also know that BCP are bankrupt, why should your residents pay for your mistakes	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J299	Poole Town	BCP should and are being paid to run all the issues described and therefore there is no reason to change	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J300	Poole Town	BCP spent a fortune telling us things would be better when Poole Bournemouth and Christchurch were run as one council. I don't understand what has changed. Why introduce another layer of bureaucracy it's a complete waste of time and money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J301	Poole Town	BCP took it over and are now trying to give it back after selling off most of the assets , they should be left to run it as it is , or have a proper referendum od everyone who lives here , most of the old have not heard of this	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J302	Poole Town	BCP was constructed from 3 separate local councils. The recommendations in the document now suggest that the old Poole area now have 42 local councillors. This is another layer of bureaucracy that is not needed. It is another layer that will require even more Council tax on top of what we pay. There are sufficient BCP Councillors to look after the interests of Poole already.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J303	Poole Town	BCP was created to provide a focal point within the whole area. To have a watering down of BCP will just bring in unwanted layers of administration in a time when we need to go for growth	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J304	Poole Town	BCP was formed , now changing again showing the original bcp formation does not work	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J305	Poole Town	BCP was formed to reduce cost and increase efficiency, which it has failed to do. My council tax bill has increased by nearly £50 a month in 8 years. How is adding another layer of government and adding more tax going to provide any benefit to residents? Nothing in this proposal indicates it will. These are the reasons for the responses given.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J306	Poole Town	Believe everyone in Poole(including my elderly parents) pay enough Council tax and there should be no devolution. BCP council wastes money on cycle lanes, causing ridiculous traffic build up while failing to keep the existing roads in a decent state of repair. Sort out your priorities. This town is dying.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J307	Poole Town	Bournemouth council took over Poole and Christchurch councils to supposedly save money because Bournemouth council was mismanaged financially. Hundreds of thousands was wasted on redundancies, consultations and re-hiring. Now BCP wants to add more councillors back into the mix at the expense of tax payers. Stick with one plan please and stop wasting money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J308	Poole Town	C. Adding a council to the Poole area will increase council tax and we already pay enough , stop wasting council money on vanity projects and spend it on proper things . Amazing how you have spent shed loads of money on cycle paths and amazingly the average age of Bournemouth is over 40 and how many of them cycle . That is why the Beryl bikes are pulling their bikes out.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J309	Poole Town	Can see very little if any value to a further layer of local government	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J310	Poole Town	Comment on Recommendation (A): I strongly disagree with the draft recommendation to create a new Town Council for Poole. Here are the key reasons: a. Local Government Reorganisation in 2019 was designed to streamline governance, not add bureaucracy. The formation of BCP Council in 2019 was a significant and deliberate restructuring to replace multiple layers of local government with a single, unified authority. This bold step aimed to improve service delivery, reduce duplication, and deliver cost savings. Reintroducing a third tier of governance via a Poole Town Council directly undermines that objective. We risk reversing the progress made towards leaner, more accountable local government. b. A new Town Council adds cost without clear benefit. While the report notes parish precepts vary widely, it omits any realistic estimate for Poole. Even at the mid-range of current Dorset precepts (~£40–£70 per Band D household), this would represent a noticeable and unjustified additional cost for residents during a time of financial strain and council tax increases. The existing Charter Trustees model already fulfils ceremonial functions for minimal cost (£2.14 per Band D household in 2024/25) without burdening residents with additional administrative layers. c. No evidence of democratic demand or public appetite. The proposal for a Poole Town Council appears driven by a small number of stakeholder submissions, not by widespread community demand. This contrasts with the principle of localism, which should be rooted in visible, grassroots calls for change. Imposing an unwanted structure could weaken rather than enhance local engagement. d. Risks confusion, duplication, and inefficiency. Adding another decision-making body introduces the risk of blurred responsibilities, slower decision processes, and duplicated effort between BCP Council and the proposed town council. Rather than "effective and convenient local governance" (a statutory requirement of the 2007 Act), this arrangement introduces complexity, confusion, and potential friction. e. Charter Trustees can evolve without being replaced. If the concern is the limited scope of Charter Trustees to support community	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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		initiatives, the solution should be reform within that structure, not the wholesale creation of a new council. Legislative or operational changes could broaden their remit in targeted, proportional ways without triggering the complications of a formal town council.					
J311	Poole Town	Commenting on a-h - In a time when government is supposed to be consolidating, fragmentation seems nonsensical. It adds layers to existing layers and a extended chains of communication and process. Strongly disagree with the draft recommendations	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J312	Poole Town	Commenting on all recommendations. See previous comment regarding Throop. No additional service that incurs a cost to residents should ever be considered until such time that BCP starts providing value for service.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J313	Poole Town	Complete waste of money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J314	Poole Town	Concerns over boundaries. Concerns of more levels of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J315	Poole Town	Councillors elected to join forces to bcp, which I don't agree with, but as this was your decision. Deal with it	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J316	Poole Town	d, f, g, h, Feel it will create unnecessary layers for zero benefit	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J317	Poole Town	Di8sagree with the plan. We don't need another layer of government with additional uncapped fees. Disband BCP, then I may agree to a parish council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J318	Poole Town	DISAGREE	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J319	Poole Town	Disagree as unnecessary beurocracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9

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J320	Poole Town	Disagree with all do not need this whatsoever	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J321	Poole Town	DISAGREE WITH THE PROPOSALS: When I was young I would have championed an opportunity to have a voice and influence. Now I am older, I do not see the vital need for these proposed Town/Parish councils as I foresee endless disagreements, and huge expense in setting up and maintenance of new layers of governance when money is a vanishing commodity.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 0
J322	Poole Town	Disagree with the whole thing it was bad enough when borough of poole was subsumed into bcp but now you want to keep BCP and also add an extra layer of complexity and red tape? This is NOT what local people want!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J323	Poole Town	Disagree with wording - using 'parish' for a,b,c,d,f, parish should be 'town'	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J324	Poole Town	Do not add another layer of Bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J325	Poole Town	Do not agree with proposed changes, just a waste of taxpayers money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J326	Poole Town	Do not implement parish councils, this is going to be less accountability for BCP council, sort the infrastructure out. I do not and will not pay 2 fees for the council. Sort inf house out and stop with this utter nonsense!!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J327	Poole Town	Do not need another layer of bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J328	Poole Town	Do not see the value in the additional layer of bureaucracy. It looks very much like an attempt to re-create the former Borough of Poole by stealth - the same ward (parishes) with the same corresponding number of councillors. Efforts and hence funds will be much better used to make BCP work better and more efficiently. This additional layer provides no value other than to slow processes down further - major decisions will still be made at BCP level with town/parishes as consultees and therefore no real say.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J329	Poole Town	Do not see what is to be gained	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J330	Poole Town	Do not want a Parish Council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J331	Poole Town	Do not want additional layer of bureaucracy and the additional costs for no benefit. The purpose of combining 3 councils of Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch was to reduce costs and streamline administration leading to greater efficiency. This is a step backwards.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J332	Poole Town	Draft published on the 16th October 2024 I have not seen any councillor numbers for the existing Poole Charter Trustees as I would like to compare these to the proposed number of councillors. At the moment there is a precept levy on the Council tax which I presume is 1%. If the proposed Poole Town Council is accepted then this precept levy will be abolished, what then will replace this levy, if it is abolished and what rate would then be established against the Council Tax?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J333	Poole Town	E - cost concerns to residents. Council tax is already high we don't need more council tax to pay. What are the benefits actually going to be.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J334	Poole Town	e, this would require additional effort, initially by people without necessary experience, so would take time (maybe considerable) to become effective, to cover mostly activities already covered by people already in position. This feels non-essential. h, Too many, too much expense to be shared amongst residents	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J335	Poole Town	E/. I d not agree with this Ward proposal	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J336	Poole Town	Everyone! I feel having more councillors is the wrong think. It won't save us money effectively. Does it mean we as taxpayers will be paying council tax twice?!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J337	Poole Town	Extra costs i nvolvedfor residents to support extra council tax and councillor expenses	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J338	Poole Town	Extra layers of bureaucracy costing residents additional council tax to carry out the tasks BCP council should be doing anyway for the existing budget	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J339	Poole Town	Extra uneccecssary layers of governance. Increased costs but lower level of service. Retrograde step after 5 years!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J340	Poole Town	F to h . There is no need for change which results in additional cost just to provide the same level of service.. in any case you will do whatever irrespective of any decision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J341	Poole Town	F/g/h. - I don't think a town council is needed. I am not sure where you will find this number of people who wish to serve as councillors . I think it will be difficult to make a decision with that many people and it will just cost lots more money but no real change will happen.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J342	Poole Town	g) the council is too large - a number of smaller councils would more likely reflect local views	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J343	Poole Town	h)We already have proactive councillors in Canford Heath who take pride in the area and encourage a strong sense of community. I don't see the need for a further level of administration that costs residents more to do the same thing.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J344	Poole Town	Having combined to create BCP as one more efficient and cost effective council, with separate Charter areas, creating these new councils will be more inefficient and cost more money. It is going backwards and defeating the costly and needless change to BCP..	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J345	Poole Town	How small does the ward have to be, surely just by separating the 3 major towns and deducting the money already collected in council tax given to BCP should be enough to maintain the towns maintenance and BCP looking out for the services for all 3 towns	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J346	Poole Town	I already pay enough to BCP council, we were promised they would listen to us yet residents are continuously not listened to. I already pay enough council tax and certainly cannot afford a penny more	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J347	Poole Town	I am commenting on all of the draft recommendations.We do not need more levels of governance in the BCP area.Our Newly combined council should already be covering the jobs to be allotted to any proposed parish council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J348	Poole Town	I am commenting on all of them. It's a ridiculous notion, waste of money and I do not agree to pay more in council tax for some harebrained beaurocracy fiasco.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J349	Poole Town	i am commenting on all the sections from what is stated this is old poole borough council in all but name so why was BCP council set up you are reverting back to what it was so a pointless exercise costing more money and at an additional cost to tax payers is it worth it another stupid suggestion from the government and the lib dems .BCP council should be getting on with representing the whole area properly rather than adding another level of local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J350	Poole Town	I am concerned that each part of the organisation will not have the power to do the job properly	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J351	Poole Town	I am in the Parish Ward of Penn Hill, but live in Lilliput. The Penn Hill Ward boundary does not represent a congruent area in terms of commercial offering, schools, transport, public spaces or other services. I would have like to have seen the ward boundaries redrawn to correct this. I believe 42 councillors is too many. I do not agree we need an additional layer of local government other than the minimum requirements to maintain the position of Mayor and a few other ceremonial and statutory things. There will be too much confusion and overlap on responsibilities between Poole Councillors and BCP Councillors adding to inefficiency and cost while reducing accountability.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J352	Poole Town	I am very concerned the additional governance will give rise to an increase in annual council tax, with no tangible effect on improving services to households. There is so far, no information on the proposed value to residents, and more so, the proposed financial savings these proposals should offer. The latter is the only way these proposals could be universally endorsed by residents in my opinion.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J353	Poole Town	I believe that we have enough councilors representing all areas of Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch within the BCP council. And should not duplicate that representation by recreating separate bodies of councilors to duplicate this representation.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J354	Poole Town	I believe there is no reason to establish yet another layer of administration. The existing BCP Council should be capable of administering all necessary services	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J355	Poole Town	I believe this is a total waste of money and time.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J356	Poole Town	I can not see any advantage for Poole residents to have another layer of bureaucracy added to its governance. Creating a town council of 42 councillors will just result in even more squabbling, while BCP Council washes its hands of expensive and ineffective cost such as CCTV and skateparks. From what I can see, this will just cost us more in Council tax and not deliver any further value.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J357	Poole Town	I cannot afford to pay more towards parish taxes on top of existing council taxes. What services will I be receiving on top of what we currently get which justifies the extra charges?. The parish council also has too many parish wards.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J358	Poole Town	I cannot see any benefits of establishing a Parish council, and nothing in the proposal addresses any changes that residents would see.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J359	Poole Town	I disagree that it should be a parish / town Council. Poole should be a Borough Council and revert to it's previous incarnation. It seems Poole has more needs than are seen to in the current model and the focus appears to be on Bournemouth. Poole Borough is historic and should be treated as such.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J360	Poole Town	I disagree wholeheartedly with the recommendations as I don't understand why we now need another layer of bureaucracy when we already have presumably competent councillors	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J361	Poole Town	I disagree with a parish council entirely. We pay enough for council services as it is and I know you kept stating the increase is minimal but that will keep going up each year. It may seem a small amount to you but to someone on a fixed income it is a lot as everything is going up. The currently monthly council tax is far too high. This will also add more bureaucracy to an already over bloated area. We need more staff doing real work nit more staff chatting around a table.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J362	Poole Town	I disagree with BCP making any more changes to the structuring of local government - combining Bournemouth Poole and Christchurch was too costly and no changes should be made until after the next general election.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J363	Poole Town	I disagree with the continuation of current parish, community and town councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish, community or town councils in BCP. All services and democratic processes should be done through BCP Council and no Council tax precepts should be put in place.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4

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J364	Poole Town	I disagree with the entire enterprise. At this time it is unknown what areas the town/parish councils would be responsible for, nor the extra council tax they would require. We already have a working system (in Creekmoor we have an very able and po-active councillor Judes Butt) and the proposed changes have unknown costs and unspecified benefits.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J365	Poole Town	I do not agree that another layer of local council is required - the current arrangement is sufficient. This issue has arisen because of the poorly conceived and executed creation of BCP - so reversing that would be more appropriate.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J366	Poole Town	I do not agree that we should have any town/parish councils. If BCP it too large, revert to 3 separate councils agin.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J367	Poole Town	I do NOT agree to Poole becoming a Parish Council. I consider it totally unnecessary to have 17 parish wards and 42 Councillors in addition to BCP. I imagine that it will be difficult to find so many people to become Parish Councillors and I suspect it will end up with BCP Councillors also sitting on Parish Councils. It will cause duplication, chaos and confusion as to which Council is responsible for what.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J368	Poole Town	I do not agree with another layer of bureaucracy. If local councils are such a good idea why not go back to how things were before Bournemouth took over! The council currently has inherited a host of financial problems when unification was sold to us as improving finances.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J369	Poole Town	I do not agree with creating another level of councils. An unnecessary cost.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J370	Poole Town	I do not agree with firming a Poole council, we do not need this if the extra cost, a very backward step.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J371	Poole Town	I do not agree with the formation of Poole town councils as they are a duplication of Cllrs & the services are already paid for within my Ctax I pay to BCP. Also as there are no services listed which would be moved to the town council & equally no costings how can I make a decision which will impact me financially.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J372	Poole Town	I do not believe that a parish or town council should be necessary bearing in mind that it was only a couple of years ago that BCP council was formed. The previous Poole borough, Christchurch Town and Bournemouth Council should not have been changed!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J373	Poole Town	I do not believe we need another layer of bureaucracy. It will be another financial burden to heap on residents in the current uncertain economic climate with council tax going up year after year and rising utility bills. We already have a successful Talbot Village Residents Association who have planted bulbs, arrange litter picking days and organise social events for the community. In addition we have currently a project going with the universities and I have personally attended a couple of presentations including on back pain and I am looking forward to learning about AI and Mental Health. I was delighted to see one event supported by our local councillor, Karen Rampton. Why does BCP not appointment a councillor from each area to work with local areas and residents associations and representatives. In the current financial climate I do not think another financial burden on struggling residents is appropriate. Social media is a great tool and I am aware that both my children get involved in local projects this way my daughter in Southbourne and son in Bearwood. I know my Turkish daughter-in-law was involved in a project to support earthquake victims in Turkey and BCP assisted them with a free venue at Boscombe Sovereign Centre.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J374	Poole Town	I do not feel we need yet another layer of government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J375	Poole Town	I do not think that having Town Council's will be an effective way of governing, decision-making in Poole or BCP.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J376	Poole Town	I do not understand why it is necessary to add another layer of bureaucracy (and at cost to the residents). The councillors who have been elected into BCP for the Poole area should be able to work for, and support the needs of the residents. They did this before BCP was created (without any "consultation" of the residents of each area). The forming of BCP council should not have taken away these abilities.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J377	Poole Town	I do not wish for an additional layer of governance to be established. Council funding is already tight, so further costs should be avoided.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J378	Poole Town	I don't agree there is a need for the creation of new Town/Parish councils in the BCP area. BCP is a large urban area, where the delegation of management of, for example green spaces, does not make sense in the same way as it would in a large rural area with separate towns. If the aim is for more localism, it would make more sense to have more community councils across the Poole area, rather than one large town council. It isn't clear why Broadstone is an exception and is proposed to have its own town council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J379	Poole Town	I don't really see the need for yet more councillors/representatives as surely the present councillors are perfectly capable of doing the work. And what about [unknown] for that new proposal - how much extra is [unknown] on the council tax	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J380	Poole Town	I don't think we should have parish councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J381	Poole Town	I don't want my council tax to go up	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J382	Poole Town	I don't want my council tax to go up anymore than 5% max	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J383	Poole Town	I feel that any further council tax rises (which I understand would happen if all these parish areas are put into being) will put a further burden on many who are already struggling financially so am not in favour	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J384	Poole Town	I feel that employing more councillors for the individual wards will be costly & potentially increase the council tax substantially. I struggle to pay this now. I wonder why so many layers are required for little or no benefit (that I can deduce anyway). How will residents know which councillors will do what job. There seems to be confusion already within BCP & keeping things simple will help everyone know what's being done when.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J385	Poole Town	I feel that we do not need Parish/Town Councils as we in BCP are a large conurbation, joining on to each other. Parish councils are more for rural towns that are a long way away from their Council. BCP was the only formed recently and needs to get more established before trying to get Parish/Town councils into the equation. BCP was supposedly formed to bring better service to the people of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, not to start splitting up the areas into smaller areas.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J386	Poole Town	I have not seen a convincing argument for the changes bearing in mind the likely upheaval and cost implications. I feel as if we have had this arrangement before and were told it would be better to have a merged BCP council. What has changed?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J387	Poole Town	I live in Oakdale and I do not believe that this decision is right for our local community looking at the information. I think there is two maybe three so-called advantages to having a parish council unfortunately the extra cost of Counsellor's which do not listen to the residence will not be advantage to the local people. It will just make it harder to get things improved or done in the local area.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J388	Poole Town	I object to the idea of a Town Council being created on the grounds that important factors are unknown at this point. Residents cannot make informed decisions about something as important as this, with out all the information and we just don't have it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J389	Poole Town	I see no need for another tier of councils. Please see my comments on the Broadstone "Town" council for more details - exactly the same arguments apply.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J390	Poole Town	I strongly disagree and object to this proposal which , to all extents and purposes, is attempting to re-establish Poole Town Council as an entity within BCP. So is contrary to the parameters defined for this Community Governance Review. More importantly, this will add a further 42 'local. councillors' with all the extra bureaucracy and cost this will entail and consequent huge increase to our Council Tax bills to pay for all this. There is nothing in this proposal that clearly states how this massive increase in bureaucracy would improve Community Engagement, Cohesion and local democracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J391	Poole Town	I strongly disagree that there should be any more layers to the existing council the bcp formation substantially damaged Poole as an entity and we do not need any further costs and more representation the existing council should do more for our area	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J392	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with all the proposals because it is a money making exercise with little or no benefit to the residents. The residents of BCP pay enough council tax. If BCP is doing its job properly then the residents of BCP are well represented and do not need to pay for more councillors. The idea of parish councils seems to be an initiative by councils as a way of raising more money as parish council tax can be increased by any percentage and is not restricted to a 4.99% rise like council tax.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J393	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with the draft recommendations for Town / Parish councils , this would give extra levels of bureaucracy and red tape which are not needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J394	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with the proposal to split Poole into its own parish and as stated be run as a parish 'in the style of a Town Council'.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J395	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with the whole concept of another level of council in addition to the current BCP. I would agree to BCP being disbanded and each town reverting back to individual councils. But to have both is overkill and not required. Aside from the unknown costs to each council tax payer there is the additional task of finding 42 new councillors that would be of appropriate calibre to serve the towns community and not just be there to forward their own interests. With all due respect we are struggling with the current BCP councillors. They have not inspired confidence in their ability to serve the public who finance them.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J396	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with the whole concept of changing BCP at all - inevitably at considerable cost - after the three councils decided to join together - also at considerable cost - just a few years ago. It would be laughable were it not for the fact that they have taken money from their residents to do it. Having made the decision that combining was the best way to go I think BCP should get on with the job instead of wasting time and more money making more bureaucratic changes which is just taking the focus off the important task of running services.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J397	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with this proposal, I can see no benefits to the community, only a rise in cost and another layer of bureaucracy to deal with and pay for, proposed area too big	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J398	Poole Town	I strongly disagree with this proposal. It is needlessly over-complicated, potentially more expensive as it has been clearly uncoded at this stage. I would prefer BCP Council to be split up and returned back to separate, independent unitary controls, i.e. Poole Council, Bournemouth Council, Christchurch Council. The BCP merger was and is a disaster.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J399	Poole Town	I think this is completely unnecessary and is an added expense to local government, businesses and residents that most cannot really afford. What is currently in place with the trustees is sufficient and is working well enough from my point of view. It seems a waste of money which could be better spent on local services which are already underfunded.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J400	Poole Town	I was quite satisfied when it was just Poole Council. The fact that the three councils (Bournemouth, Poole & Christchurch) amalgamated to form BCP; removed or should have removed the need for separate councils. I was under the impression that BCP would cut costs of local government. If BCP can't run the conurbation it should revert back to three separate town councils. Not try and introduce another layer of bureaucracy in the guise of Parish Councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J401	Poole Town	I would like to say on the point of these Parish councils that, to me, they should not be required. We already have a BCP council with councillors. They are supposed to be making decisions for the local community based on what the local people would like to see happen. Why do we need another tier of bureaucracy? This seems to be total madness and especially as all three councils joined together about six years ago, presumably to save money, which it probably, with hindsight, it did not. This is surely a backward step and a way to introduce another way to extract money from the local residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J402	Poole Town	I would strongly disagree with any proposal to add to number of levels of governance. What was the point of combining the three boroughs if you are already talking of splitting up the responsibilities again? This whole idea is nonsense and merely another excuse for some individuals to spend other peoples' money. It is unnecessary and a backward step in local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J403	Poole Town	If BCP council cannot look after Poole, it should be broken up into 3 separate councils. We should not have to pay for town councils as well as BCP council. It needs to be one or the other.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J404	Poole Town	If you can do it within the budgets you have, then crack on, but leave the residents pockets alone!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J405	Poole Town	If you can't do your jobs then leave and get us a new council, you want to set up another layer what for that's what you were elected to do and are failing miserably. Step up do your job or move out of the way. Either way get your house in order. What makes you think that us ordinary folk can afford to shell out for incompetent fools ?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J406	Poole Town	In 2019 Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch were joined as a unitary authority and Dorset Council unitary authority was also formed at the same time. Residents were told that these larger councils would be more efficient and make financial savings due to economies of scale. So far there have been no announcements of savings, the towns are looking dirty and neglected and Poole Civic Centre is standing empty with no plans for development. I can see no reason to add another layer of bureaucracy having got rid of the District Councils and certainly can see no justification for increasing local taxation while local services are poor or non-existent.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J407	Poole Town	In 2019 three town Councils were integrated with the primary objectives of being more cost efficient, streamlined services, centralised services, shared services, workforce reduction leading to reduced cost to tax payer. Five years of transformation, at great time, cost and energy to residents and now you want to divide it all back up again to add more layers of bureaucracy, to add more resources, to add more confusion and cost to tax payers. I absolutely do not agree with this.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J408	Poole Town	Incohesive areas - would be better to have split into smaller areas as originally suggested. Penn Hill, Canford Cliffs and Parkstone doesn't have much in character min with Haworthy, Canford heath, Turpin moor etc - a parish that is so diverse will not serve the needs of all. The suggestion of rolling Bournemouth in as well is ludicrous. I cannot see any benefit and only increased costs (existing parishes seem to charge considerably more than the current arrangement).	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J409	Poole Town	Instead of creating more beurocracy and costs, just get on and manage our area more efficiently and to the benefit of residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J410	Poole Town	It is another level of beurocracy that serves no purpose and is not going to benefit local people	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J411	Poole Town	It is clear from the number of people voting for their BCP councillors that any prospective Parish Councillor will not receive enough votes to properly represent their residents and opens the door to unrepresentative pressure groups.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J412	Poole Town	It is not neccessary	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J413	Poole Town	It is only a few years since the BCP was created at some considerable cost ,to add another layer of management is in my view an admission that either the BCP was badly thought out or is poorly managed. The BCP should sort out its management of the area and not seek to pass on tasks to what will be another expensive and wasteful layer and will no doubt cause problems about who is responsible for what.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J414	Poole Town	It is too costly	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J415	Poole Town	It seems that Poole's roads show too many projects all at once . Instead of prioritising to complete the most important first , there's so much disruption in so many areas at the moment .	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J416	Poole Town	It seems that the creation of the BCP council has resulted in equalities for councillors and residents. Ideally, to reduce overheads, I would supprt one council for the main BCP conurbation and only outlying areas having a parish council. Generally, if local government overheads could be reduced, more funds could be directed towards improving the declining public services in the BCP area.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J417	Poole Town	It will reduce accountability, add confusion and add unnecessary layers.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J418	Poole Town	It would be a very bad idea to have completely corrupt and incompetent people like the ones who would be in charge to be in control of a pencil let alone a district area.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J419	Poole Town	it's all a con. we had a council and it was stolen from us	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J420	Poole Town	J - I strongly DISAGREE with the draft recommendation for Poole town. This type of 'parish' council is only suitable for SMALL rural villages. It offers no additional benefits to the residents, only increased tax costs to them. The services it would offer are already in place via BCP Council, therefore it is an unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J421	Poole Town	Just more layer(s) of bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J422	Poole Town	Lack of transparency and the fact we are not being told the cost of this to residents. It appears this yet another money making exercise for BCP council and will not improve the lives of residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J423	Poole Town	Leave it alone	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J424	Poole Town	Leave it as it is	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J425	Poole Town	Merley is a self contained community which has developed its own identity over the last 50 years or so. Merley is not Poole Town which is a distinct area on its own as well as being 6 miles from Merley. It is far more closely aligned with Broadstone as many Merley children attend school in Broadstone. All that is happening with this scheme is adding another layer of bureaucracy and cost to residents with no discernable gain.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J426	Poole Town	Mine is an overall comment. I strongly disagree with the principle of forming these councils as we already have an overarching BCP Council to manage the conurbation	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J427	Poole Town	more money for people aspiring to be more important.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J428	Poole Town	More money to be taken from us and we would have no power yonsllocate funds. Totally unnecessary	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J429	Poole Town	More red tape, more politics, increased costs for tax payers. It's not necessary and just a scam to make tax payers poorer.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J430	Poole Town	My comments refer to all draft recommendations. I do not agree with the recommendation of creating parish councils. We have moved away from individual councils when you decided to merge and create a mammoth BCP Council so why on earth are you now changing your minds and now want to split everything up again. We didn't want BCP council in the first place but we had no choice. So you want to now create parish councils which Poole is far too big an area, absolutely ridiculous, you want to put in another 42 councillors which you say will be voluntary but what about their expenses they are not going to be travelling and spending time being councillors for nothing, they will require expenses and where does that money come from? Why are you putting in another level of councillors we already have councillors in our areas that we are more than happy with. I am already paying for council services by paying my council tax to BCP council, by you creating Parish Councils, its just a way of getting more money out of us with no regulations on how much you will charge us.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J431	Poole Town	My reasons for overall disagreeing with the creation of town councils is that is clearly is going to cost money to set up and run and to pay staff. BCP is already in a financially unstable state and I think the majority of the residents of Poole have felt the pinch of raises prices, interest rates on mortgages etc etc over the last few years. Whilst I disagreed with the creation of BCP and would love to return to having 3 separate authorities, the creation of town councils is not that. I believe it will increase residents cost for council tax, where BCP will 'hand over' areas for councils to oversee but not give them funding for it, and money will ultimately be pulled in from residents. Fundamentally I think that's wrong.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J432	Poole Town	No budget planning no cost planning this will be extra cost and extra cllrs which we don't need bcp should be doing its job and not having the largest town council in the country Town Councils are for small areas u havent told anyone what our are planing the draft is not 100% true and there is no cost for each individual household	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J433	Poole Town	Not needed,	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J434	Poole Town	nuclear set up cost and ongoing cost for 40+ new counsellors and additional workers that will be needed to run the administration. when Poole become part of BCP the idea was to reduce cost within the council all we've seen over the last few years is more cost to run the administration that's now in place.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J435	Poole Town	Parish councils are an unnecessary level of governance as the services they will provide are already covered by BCP. If we need Parish councils to have our community listened to, then maybe BCP should be disbanded instead and go back to individual town councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J436	Poole Town	Parish councils are superfluous	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J437	Poole Town	PLEASE spend council funds on serious and pressing issues and not all this pen pushing paperwork nonsense	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J438	Poole Town	Pointless renaming to parishes, where there is no link to historical parishes. Misuse of 'parish' is a further erosion of our CofE heritage.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J439	Poole Town	Poole is already represented within bpc, we do not need another layer of bureaucracy to confuse everything and everyone. Unless that is your intention of course!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J440	Poole Town	Poole merged with Christchurch and Bournemouth for cost benefits . We do not need more councillors and more cost Leave it alone or emerge BCP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J441	Poole Town	Poole needs to be kept in the BCP council and not put into a parish. We need a equal and better quality levels of duty of care to the residents of Poole as very little social care support for Poole vulnerable people unlike what is offered to Christchurch and B'mth residents. Plus we vote for local elections for Poole however in a general election we vote under B'mth West. We would see less services and more increases in costs to the vulnerable people	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
J442	Poole Town	Poole should be reinstated as its own council independent of BCP as per the borough council which was removed by the previous Conservative government in 2019. Broadstone as well as Alderney and Bourne Valley wards should part of this independent council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J443	Poole Town	Poole should never have been mixed with Bournemouth and Christchurch in the first place and we pay enough for the services that we get and do not need the extra expenses now the merging of BCP is not working	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J444	Poole Town	Poole town draft recommendation. If Broadstone has its own town council, why can't Merley, Oakley, Canford have one.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J445	Poole Town	Proposal B object to Broadstone being excluded from the greater Poole area, Proposal H too many councillors and the associated costs. I object to the whole local council plan and it really highlights the failure of the BCP Council merger that was not wanted by the people of Poole or Christchurch!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J446	Poole Town	Proposals are a complete waste of money. We don't need more tiers of government. It's just a gimmick. BCP Council trying to divert attention away from their very poor delivery performance.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J447	Poole Town	Quite honestly, I am astounded that this is being put forward. I have no faith in town or parish councils and often find them to be onstructive and filled with groups of busybody NIMBYs that spend more time infighting than they do doing anything useful. I would sooner see ALL town and parish councils abolished. Please abandon these ridiculous plans and do something far more constructive than wasting time, effort and money. I have no desire to pay for another layer of local government thay will have little to no benefit instead just adding another layer of pointless bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J448	Poole Town	Re an and d: I have lived in Poole my whole life, 51 years. In that time I have seen various changes to the Poole Town Council, including gaining unitary authority status. Whilst Poole Borough Council was not perfect, when those in Power decided to merge the 3 towns of Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch, this was something that majority of people in the respective towns did not want, but ultimately had no choice. We were promised things link joining up services would result in cost savings and better efficiency. Well that was blatantly a complete lie. I am tired of suffering the incompetence of those elected councillors and decision makers, with rising council tax year on year and just seeing more and more incompetence. Now you tell us that you can't deal with the demands of being a BCP Joined up councils so want to fob off those service you can't properly deliver to Parish or Town councils so that you don't have to face up to the responsibility that you have failed your electorate and residents. This is in doubt another cost saving exercise at the expense of your residents that will give BCP the excuse it needs to pass accountability and responsibility on to others, so you don't have to take responsibility of your failures. In summary I strongly oppose any Town and Parish councils and rather the current BCP sort out its own incompetence and inadequacies to serve the people of the 3 towns and not your own agendas!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J449	Poole Town	Recomendations a to h refer to new parish establishments. I disagree with setting up any new parishes. The reason is that BCP was amalgamated to provide savings due to economies of scale and less duplication of staff. It also provides a unified voice for the conurbation and carries more weight at regional level. Having undergone the painful process of council amalgamation to create BCP we should not contemplate reorganisation or additional layers of governance and representation. It has only recently since Covid 19 disruption that council staff and departments have ironed out organisational parameters and effective working together.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J450	Poole Town	Recommendation A: There was a decision to create BCP Council to save costs and improve service delivery. Either that is working and extra governance is unnecessary or it is not working and a more fundamental rethink of local government structures is required.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J451	Poole Town	Residents of BCP cannot afford to pay out for further councils, money is tight already.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J452	Poole Town	Section A through to Section H. Poole Council was amalgamated into BCP Council a few years back to supposedly save money for the Tax payer. To now split off responsibility for certain services from BCP Council to a new Poole Council is Wrong in my view and will only add to costs for the Tax Payer and present an opportunity for "Buck Passing" from BCP Council. Either BCP Council should get on with the job they were formed to do or BCP Council should be split back to the 3 Independent Councils as previous.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J453	Poole Town	Stop spending our money on pointless projects	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J454	Poole Town	Stop wasting money, necessary additional level of local government. Originally we had Poole Council then we went to making a unitary authority and then finally the three towns authority BCP and now you want to put another level of government here. Stop wasting our money make the existing council work for us the residents, not for you and creating yet more jobs in local bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J455	Poole Town	Strongly DISAGREE as I do not want to see the creation of another council which can leverage further taxes in addition to the current BCP taxes. No details have been provided on what services this parish and others would be responsible for, and what BCP would no longer provide. It seems it is just another revenue generation exercise without any efficiencies gained!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J456	Poole Town	Strongly disagree to ALL the proposals, Paying double council taxes, BCP & then extra for Parish / town. Extra costs for what,? Can't even tell us how much it will be., also the lack of information about these proposals has been absolutely shameful on existing BCP.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J457	Poole Town	Strongly disagree with the changes - do not want more tax added. BCP should pull their socks up and look for cuts in admin and to run more efficiently. Cut High management salaries. No more Councillors needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J458	Poole Town	The added layer of Bureaucracy is an unacceptable burden. It would be much better to reform BCP, slim down the management and increase efficiency and effectiveness.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J459	Poole Town	The area is far too large and diverse. I live in Sandbanks. Poole Town is only reachable by a once an hour daytime bus. The needs of Sandbanks are very different. Sandbanks residents need for local representation is already met by the Sandbanks Community Group.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J460	Poole Town	The benefit of Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch merging into one body is to reduce costs and bureaucracy. The benefit of the old Parkstone and parishes surrounding Poole merging into the original Poole Borough was to reduce costs and bureaucracy. Creating a Poole Town council will inevitably just duplicate administration and result in tax payers paying more council tax. People living in most of these areas do not identify as living in "Poole Town". "Poole Town" is a very specific area in the centre of Poole, It is NOT the whole of Parkstone, Lilliput, Canford Cliffs, Branksome, Penn Hill.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J461	Poole Town	the breaking up of the area into smaller councils and parishes will result in more bureaucracy, more power hungry individuals trying to influence their area, and less engagement with an electorate dispirited and tired of wrangling over issues that seem insurmountable	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J462	Poole Town	The cost of all this and councillors will be paid through our Council Tax	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J463	Poole Town	The cost of reversing the agreement made in 2019 is not viable; increasing the number of councillors will not improve community cohesion which was working well before the inception of BCP, the damage is done! I prefer to keep the status quo with the existing Poole Trustees Charter as it is essential to keep the historical link. I really do not expect local challenges e.g. homeless on streets, increasing culture clashes, to improve whilst the current, and previous, government policies are pursued. BCP Council is restricted to enable change in policy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J464	Poole Town	The cost this will incur to residents in council tax as seen in other areas.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J465	Poole Town	The council are battling a shortfall in funds at the moment and yet it wants to introduce up to 110 more councillors across the BCP area. This will only lead to more money coming out of the pockets of the council tax payers in extra wages to councillors which will mean more reductions in services within the area as well as extra cost to the tax payer. I strongly oppose the introduction of wards where I see no benefit and more cost.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J466	Poole Town	The Council has only just become a Unitary Authority and moved away from this structure. There is no place for Town Councils or otherwise.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J467	Poole Town	The council ward is too big and splits my current into both Bournemouth and Poole	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
J468	Poole Town	The entire notion of creating a 2nd level of local government. Nobody except the councillors wanted the BCP merger in the first place, it has been an unmitigated disaster. Now you want to give half of your responsibilities to a second level of council which will lead to even higher council tax bills as there is no evidence that BCP Council will reduce its own precept for the services it has delegated.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
J469	Poole Town	The founding of BCP council was to cut out layers of local government. Council Tax is high enough without funding another layer of bureaucracy from council tax payers	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J470	Poole Town	The ide of.paying qn additional tax on top of council tax is abhorrent and should not be considered	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J471	Poole Town	The last thing Poole needs is another costly talking shop. BCP was supposed to have been created to save taxpayers money and whilst I would agree that there is little evidence that this has happened adding another level of bureaucracy is quite simply a very costly mistake which has no direct benefit for residents. Just another group of people who think they know what is best for us and will dismiss any thoughts that are different from their own.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J472	Poole Town	The last thing we need is MORE councillors. You could sack half of the existing BCP councillors and we would be better off! And you want a precept to pay for it?!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J473	Poole Town	The merger of BCP was to save money this is going to add further costs to council tax to pay for parish councils	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J474	Poole Town	The new proposals would mean another layer of bureaucracy and would cost more money to run	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J475	Poole Town	The people of Poole do not want extra layers of local government taking on roles that BCP council are already responsible for. The local constituents do not want extra council tax fees. We're struggling financially as it is. We don't need extra councillors. We need BCP to do their job and stop wasting our extortionate council tax.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 8
J476	Poole Town	The people of Poole don't want an extra layer of government	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J477	Poole Town	The projected electorate for some areas look very inconsistent Alderney will only gain 25 more people but Bearwood will gain 742 ? . Parkstone will gain 429 ,is this because of new builds ? I understand new houses are being built in Bearwood and Merley but where in Parkstone ? Your numbers seem to be way out.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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J478	Poole Town	The proposals are unclear and complicated. No clear benefit has been put forward for changing the existing arrangements. No mention has been made of whether these counsellor will be paid. No explanation has been given as to why one Ward would have one counsellor per 100 electors and another Ward would have one counsellor per 3000 electors. No explanation has been given as to what unwarded means. No costings have been put forward.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J479	Poole Town	The Town Council seems somewhat over large	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J480	Poole Town	The Unitary Authority of BCP was only created 6 years ago. It comprises 76 councillors across 33 wards. These proposals are for the creation of YET ANOTHER tier of administration, comprising an additional 80 councillors at a cost of at least £3M. pa in order to give primary address to allotments and neighbourhood plans, with secondary input on bus shelters, electrical charging points and public conveniences. What a monumental waste of time and money. Why, for heaven's sake?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J481	Poole Town	The way this survey is written suggests decisions on these changes have already been made and this tokenistic "consultation" is pointless. I see no reason or benefit to residents to setting up these additional layers of bureaucracy. I am strongly opposed and believe BCP council should remain as it is. This is a complete waste of time and money in my opinion.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J482	Poole Town	The whole concept of a Poole Town Concil is flawed by the existence of BCP Council. A new layer of subsidiary governance would be unwelcome without the disappearance of the over-arching Council. To be frank, I share the disappointment of many others in the long-standing abysmal performance of BCP Council, its elected member and unelected officers, so this proposal smacks of self-serving interests which would incur additional costs for no discernible benefit to residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J483	Poole Town	The whole concept of BCP has been a disater from start to finish. Another 'layer' will mean even more of a disaster & cost more money to the residents. The present encumbent have let our towns decline where shops have shut, car parks are filthy dirty, reduced public toilets etc., I could go on. The present councillors do what they want to do without taking any notice of the views of local residents. They have shut roads & Poole Park at one entrance despite 63% of residents requesting that it remains open. Shut Churchfield Road, both of these causing extra traffic build up in the area & incurring extra travel & emissions. They have created all the cycle lanes which are hardly used using some of our public money to cover the overspend. This will be another layer where one party will blame the other for either things not being done or overspending.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J484	Poole Town	The whole exercise appears uncosterd we have no idea what services would be transferred over to the Town Council and therefore any agreement to these proposals is like signing a blank cheque to any administration . 42 Councillors is the same as the old Borough of Poole who had responsibilities for all services , we already have 76 Councilors through BCP council this appears to be duplication and expense	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J485	Poole Town	The whole idea is a nonsense attempting to cover the disaster that is BCP. The best solution is to disband BCP back into its original parts	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J486	Poole Town	The whole idea is pointless just an other layer of what bcp I am sure will ensure is the same level of undemocratic service wr currently get from bcp it's self I.e a council that only listens to people who agree with their pet projects	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J487	Poole Town	The whole point of BCP's amalgamation was to reduce the level of government thus reducing taxation. this flies in the face of common sense. Please do not bring in more bureaucracy, it is not in anyone's interest.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J488	Poole Town	there is already too much bureacracy there is already chaos. introducing more hurdles and people to decide And to be paid will not result in any benefits for the tax payer	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J489	Poole Town	There is already too much bureaucracy and waste in BCP. Whatever the reasons you make, there is absolutely no justification for the establishment of additional tiers of council. Before taking any further steps, you need to find ways to adapt the existing system to meet the needs and wants of the population. Additional waste in effort and money is abhorrent and not the wish of the electorate. Please read books on democracy before taking any action.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J490	Poole Town	There is insufficient information to be able to make an informed decision on any of these draft recommendations. There is no indication of what services will be provided via the new parish/town councils. There is no indication of the total costs involved in setting up these parishes/councils, nor of the level of precept, nor of the possibility of precepts being increased well above the capped level of council tax. There is no indication of the need for a clerk to the parish/town council, nor of the salary that this would incur. Whilst the expectation is that parish/town councillors will be appointed on a voluntary basis, there is no means of preventing them from voting to make salary payments out of the precept. Divisions into parish/town councils across the conurbation is likely to increase differences in levels of provision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J491	Poole Town	There is no apparent benefit for the additional cost.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J492	Poole Town	There is no need for any more money to be wasted on extra councillors. It is not needed. You went to bcp from 3 separate councils and now want to go back again. Do not do this. It will make no difference. Stil as Poole we have no food waste bin yet you levelled the council tax with Bournemouth and xchurch. We need less councillors not More and I am really against this.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J493	Poole Town	There is sufficient and adequate government for BCP as is. A further layer of government is pointless when most of us and soon all of us can access government electronically. My impression is that people want 'local' if they get what they want, and they want 'remoter government' if that gives what they want - hence planning appeals are popular if 'local' gives the 'wrong' decision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J494	Poole Town	There is zero case for estalshing a Town Council. You are simply trying to undo the cost savings brought about by BCP being combined as a unitary authority	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J495	Poole Town	There should be no increase in the number of cllrs in any of these areas. The maximum number should remain within the BCP Council organisation. I strongly prefer a maximum of 17 cllrs, one for electoral area, or to keep things below the number of cllrs agreed by the boundary commission	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J496	Poole Town	There's already too much local governance delivering little useful change and in times where finances are tight an expansion such as the proposal is little more than self-indulgence.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J497	Poole Town	These parish councils with councillors will add extra cost to local tax payer at a time when most residents are struggling financially. Should be looking to cot costs for tax payers not adding to them.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J498	Poole Town	They created BCP despite it being the wrong decision and now this is a mother colossal waste of time which will cause the tax payers even more financial hardship. How about the council work on improving the services it currently provides rather than wasting money on this hare brained scheme. The council is in financial problems and they are wasting money Constantine in these stupid ideas and other schemes eg cycle lanes (yes I am a cyclist). Leave it all alone you have broken the system enough!!!!!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J499	Poole Town	This appears to be a totally unnecessary additional layer of governance and bureaucracy that isn't needed. Poole Council to become BCP in 2019, without any public consultation because elected councillors thought that it would save money and be more efficient and now that BCP has no money it appears that the elected members think it's a good idea to create parish councils so that they can discharge their responsibilities and ask the tax payer to pay again for the services that should already be provided by BCP! It's adding another layer of governance and will cause confusion over who is responsible for what service. It would be much more beneficial for all communities within BCP if the Council improved it's own service delivery and management of public funds instead of creating parish and town councils to do their job for them. The last think residents need is more councillors to run another layer that has no statutory powers. I don't think there's any benefit to residents in creating this extra layer of governance and the re is no cap on the precept that parish councils can charge, which is extremely worrying. It is absurd that Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole became a unitary authority in 2019 and haven't even been able to implement pay and reward for its staff yet but are now considering creating parish councils and boundaries that there were in place before the merge, all at a cost to the tax payer!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J500	Poole Town	This change is not necessary and will lead to more confusion and cost for tax payers in the midst of a cost of living crisis.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J501	Poole Town	This comment relates to (a) - (h) all draft recommendations. The proposals are another layer of unwanted bureaucracy and involve additional administration. We already have 76 BCP Councillors who should work more effectively for and engage with their residents, rather than introduce another 42 unnecessary Councillors for the proposed Poole Town Council. We are in a cost of living crisis and to impose another layer of governance with an uncapped precept is unacceptable. This is a stealth tax for services that BCP want to devolve to the Town Councils so BCP can attempt to balance the books. Even though this was apparently in the Lib Dem 'manifesto' there is no obligation to impose this on the residents. We were sold BCP local government reorganisation on the basis it would bring in more central government money, but instead you are using the residents as a cash cow. BCP should get it's accounts in order before asking the electorate to fund the shortfall through an uncapped Town Council precept.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J502	Poole Town	This corrupt council will not listen to this consultation anyway, but it in no way benefits the residents when it will impose additional cost to them. We do not need another 42 clowncillors, the ones we have already made enough mess as it is	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J503	Poole Town	This extra layer of local government will be useless, powerloss, and costly.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J504	Poole Town	This increased level of local government is not needed. Public money can be better spent that councillors that have little or no power. The current number of councillors should be cut. We are paying more and more for less and less. No private company that has no money would be suggesting taking on new employees or increasing wage bill. They way public sector is run is completely out of touch and needs to stop.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J505	Poole Town	This is a complete waste of time, the residents don't want it but as normal the councilors decide without listening.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J506	Poole Town	This is a totally unnecessary additional layer of expense and bureaucracy. It will just be another talking shop. We need to complete the transformation of BCP and get that working properly.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J507	Poole Town	This is a very large area with very different needs and make up. They are already fully represented at BCP Council by democratically elected members so this is an unnecessary level of authority with addition costs to all at a time when we do not have additional income so will thus cause greater hardship.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J508	Poole Town	This is an attempt to put over bureaucracy into the area where it is clearly totally unnecessary and over expensive.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J509	Poole Town	This is an outrageous cost to our community, especially after everything was already set up similar before you changed to BCP. STOP wasting money and make do with what you have already done. Going backwards is ripping out our purse strings yet again.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J510	Poole Town	This is an unnecessary complexity in addition to the area management by BCP. This is duplication of responsibility and resources. If Poole town council is to be created BCP as an authority should be dissolved.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J511	Poole Town	This is clearly an empire building initiative where huge numbers of extra personnel will be added to the cost of running BCP when there is so many employees and councillors already responsible for providing services. We want more streamlining where money is spent on front line services and not on beauracracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J512	Poole Town	This is just another layer of cost for some people to talk about things they will have no ability to deliver at all. Efficiency rests with the larger organisations and so effort should be focused there and not waste time on vanity projects.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J513	Poole Town	This is just another layer of government that is not needed	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J514	Poole Town	This is not to benefit the residents, just to pass the burden of costs and charge residents more money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J515	Poole Town	This is quite clearly becoming a dictatorship. Where do you think everyone is going to get the s money from to pay for the extra fees. You think you can do what you like and we all have to jump!! NO! This is enough now. People are scraping the bottom of the barrel to exist and you want to take more money. You will not get a penny from me guaranteed as I just don't have it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J516	Poole Town	This is unnecessary extra layer of bureaucracy which inevitably will lead to increased number of civil servants, no ability to limit any increases in costs to the rate payer and with no discernable benefits to the rate payer. Everything being proposed should be done by BCP itself. It will lead to further delays more confusion to the rate payer as to who to contact. If BCP councillors feel they cannot full fill their duties, resign and lets elect those who can.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J517	Poole Town	This is yet another fragmentation of government which does little more than introduce additional cost to the tax-payers, funding yet more councillors and bureaucracy. The only way to be truly efficient is to follow that national model where, for example, the railways are being re-nationalised. The town is a utility and to open it up to cost and corruption will continue the break-up of communities and provide little in the way of decision when there is no budget to deliver it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J518	Poole Town	This one is proposed to maintain hadley's political agenda. Do we need more proof of fethering nests?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 7
J519	Poole Town	This plan is bureaucracy gone mad. We do not require another layer of councillors. The current number of ccouncillors within BCP is too many anyway and these should be reduced to save money and focus on important tasks only.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J520	Poole Town	This proposal is creating an unnecessary level of beauracracy, where essentaialy you are re-creating a local council after our local council was swept away in BCP withput any referendum from the council tax payers. This is going to create an extra layer of cost for already struggling family households. The lack of a cap on parish council increasing costs will result in creep over the years and the removal of more services for the capped council tax to the uncapped parish councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J521	Poole Town	This proposal would lead to unnecessary additional cost and bureaucracy. I am strongly opposed to Poole Town council being created. If this proposal goes ahead, it would be better for Creekmoor residents if Creekmoor was transferred into Dorset Council with neighbouring Upton or merged with neighbouring Broadstone, rather than be a remote appendage to Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J522	Poole Town	This whole debacle is just another means of raising taxes through the back door. These "Consultations", just like the one held regarding the formation of BCP, are preordained. Regardless of what the majority of the populous vote, the governing body manipulate the figures to suit their agenda.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J523	Poole Town	This whole process is a complete waste of time and money after years of work to merge and streamline services. It's simply a way for greedy councillors to get fame	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J524	Poole Town	This will only increase costs to the residents and give local council too much control, there is a reason for centralised government it is work with the people	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J525	Poole Town	This would only be a valid option if BCP was dissolved and all functions of BCP transferred to a (new) authority.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J526	Poole Town	To all. Unless bcp is dissolved and reverted back to 3 separate councils then this is just another level of uncapped taxation.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J527	Poole Town	To me the Boundaries do not make sense. Bearwood and Merley should be in a group with Either Kinson or Broadstone or Poole should be extended to include Broadstone and Kinson.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J528	Poole Town	Too much bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J529	Poole Town	Too much bureaucracy in the proposal	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J530	Poole Town	Unitarisation was designed to enable simplicity. This undermines the establishment of BCP and the case for enabling efficiencies and creating transparency. Authorities going through LGR across the country are being strongly encouraged by the Government to implement Neighbourhood Area Committees. Parish and Town Councils are not wholly supported by the Government. This would be a town/parish council that is far too large and essentially re-establishes Borough of Poole. Yes, neighbourhood empowerment is necessary and right but there are various levers to pull to enable that and this is not the right one.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J531	Poole Town	Unknown powers unknown costs ridiculous idea	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J532	Poole Town	Unnecessary	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J533	Poole Town	Unneçessary bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J534	Poole Town	unnecessary unwanted vanity project	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH15 2
J535	Poole Town	Unnecessary.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J536	Poole Town	Waste of money to have another layer of management with little actual decision making	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J537	Poole Town	Waste of time and money and little real world influence. Nothing more than an exercise in giving the impression of power where none exists.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J538	Poole Town	Waste of time and money, BCP council was formed to save money now you want to spend money to take us back to how we were before.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J539	Poole Town	Waste of time and tax payers money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J540	Poole Town	We already have one council. We don't need lots of other councils. There will be too many councillors all doing the same job.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J541	Poole Town	We currently have 2 councillors for the creekmoor area & that is enough, cllr Jude butts is absolutely fantastic at making sure the creekmoor area is kept up to date with BCP & local legislation. Doesn't need to change.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J542	Poole Town	We do not need another layer of local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J543	Poole Town	We do not need another layer thats why we created BCP from the 3 orevious councils	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J544	Poole Town	We do not need another tier of bureaucracy. Our Council Tax is now likely to rise to support the North of England so this proposal is a financial and unnecessary disaster.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J545	Poole Town	We do not need extra layers of Bureaucracy that this will create. We do not need additional councilors and associated cost. The local councils were amalgamated into BCP so either scrap BCP and revert to local councils or ensure BCP is more efficient, productive and accountable. I do not understand your request to write a,b,c etc ... sorry it is not sufficiently clear	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J546	Poole Town	We do not need further breakdown of our areas at a cost to the local tax payers. We have good local councilors that do an amazing job. We do not want to pay for extra unrequired bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J547	Poole Town	We do not require a town council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J548	Poole Town	We do not require yet another level of councillors! Waste of money. Current agamation at BCP has not worked	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J549	Poole Town	We don't need even more bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J550	Poole Town	We don't need extra waste and expense added to the council tax. We already have enough councillors. If you can't do the job, resign and let somebody else do it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J551	Poole Town	We don't need another council, it's alrenpc which I Thomas good enough	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J552	Poole Town	We don't need another layer of local government, it won't bring any benefits	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J553	Poole Town	We don't need this. BCP was supposed to save money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J554	Poole Town	We don't want/need more administration	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J555	Poole Town	We got rid of the original 3 councils for cost savings despite a lot of opposition. This will just bring the people who object to BCP to the fore. We don't need an extra layer of bureaucracy or the additional cost to our council tax. There are a lot of noisy minority issue people that will dominate these councils with their own agendas believing they can bypass BCP. Think Poole Park access, cycle lanes and 20 mph areas. These are all welcomed by the majority of people but we are made to think this is not the case as the objectors are so vocal. Most normal moderate people don't have the time or inclination to be parish councillors. We pay BCP to run our conurbation on behalf of everyone.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J556	Poole Town	We had a Poole Council, then someone decided it would be more cost effective, more efficient to combine. Why has it been decided to go backwards.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J557	Poole Town	We had a very satisfactory town council of Poole before you people decided to create the ongoing muddle of BCP. Why are you trying to reinvent the wheel for which we poor tax payers will have to pay? If more local representation is a good idea, why did you wreck the one that worked well? Typical of the quality of our elected members!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J558	Poole Town	WE have BCP we don't need a Town council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J559	Poole Town	we have to much bureaucracy as it is why put in more levels with even more expense to us the tax payers!!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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J560	Poole Town	we moved from seperate councils to the BCP single council and this seems to be going backwards while costing more money to residents, either disband BCP and move back to seperate councils or stick to the single one council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J561	Poole Town	We need to move away from more costs and complexity	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J562	Poole Town	We pay enough in council tax already, The number of councillors of 75 could be cut to 50 so money could be saved, Have a Town council it will be cheap for the first few years then it will keep going up each just like the council tax The council tax is based on what your house was worth in the 90s other parts of the country the same house the tax is less or more	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J563	Poole Town	We should not be adding extra layers of governance and bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J564	Poole Town	What a ridiculous idea this is. This will cost the residents of BCP and specifically me more of my hard earned cash to pay councillors that are NOT needed. I do not agree this is needed in BCP and it's a total waste of time and money adding another layer of bureaucracy that is not needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J565	Poole Town	What an absolute joke. So much time and money wasted by merging the councils in the name of saving money. Just to basically reverse it and add an extra layer or two of bureaucracy and cost. The money wasted doing this consultation is absolutely appalling. Stop wasting money and use it to improve local services.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J566	Poole Town	What is the point in establishing another layer of officialdom when BCP elections aren't due yet	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J567	Poole Town	What is the point in having a BCP unitary authority that was supposed to save money if you're now going about splitting BCP into smaller councils? This is going to cost more money and is a ridiculous idea. I love the idea of having a Poole town council, but NOT at the expense of splitting the Historic Poole Borough up. It's like you hate Poole and can't wait to get rid of it. Split BCP up properly and get rid of the BCP unitary authority. Split BCP back into Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth and we'll all be happy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J568	Poole Town	What will this cost? There is no plan in place to let us, the people who elected you, to tell us thus. Poole shouldn't be part of BCP. We should have a town council standing on it's own. If we can't have that, the BCP should fit the bill for any town councils below them. If this is not to be the case, then we cannot afford it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J569	Poole Town	When Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole all joined together to form BCP we were told it was to create efficiencies, speed up decision making, and make better use of the available money. Now we are told we that extra layers are necessary. No doubt the restructure will be at great additional cost and added confusion for the residents. Stop rearranging the deckchairs and get on and deliver the promised BCP benefits! Stop reranging the deckchairs at get on and deliver the promised service	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J570	Poole Town	Whilst I approve of a strong Poole identity I believe that the current organisation structure for the area should remain... I fear that a reorganisation is unnecessary and cumbersome - overly top heavy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J571	Poole Town	Whilst wel like the idea of giving an identity to Poole, it serves as yet a further diminution to the role of the current administration. My wife and I are in favour of less bureaucratic intervention, not more.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J572	Poole Town	Wholely disagree with the idea that we require town or parish councils. We have duely elected officials to govern our ward and this does not need interference. There is no perceivable benefit from any of the plans outlined, BCP should be ashamed if they go ahead with this without a full referendum.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J573	Poole Town	Why would we need that many councillors?! I don't think parkstone has the same needs as Merley for example Why was Broadstone kept separate? My view is that there should not be one Poole Town Council covering this vast area unless you include the whole of Poole???	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J574	Poole Town	Will cost more for the service BCP should already be providing	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J575	Poole Town	You had 3 separate councils, you caused staff working for those councils high amounts of stress, putting them through competition. No achievement has been made from BCP you can't just change your mind without acknowledging the damage you have done to those employed by the previous town councils or the residents of those councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0

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J576	Poole Town	You have already spent loads of money combining the council further expenditure especially at this time is unwarranted.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J577	Poole Town	You merged all the councils a few years ago for better value for money and to save money and reduce back office staff. Now looking to reintroduce a Poole Council, which you'll expect even more money from the taxpayer, even though you've just increased tax by the maximum of 4.99%. Remember, you're spending OUR money on all your projects. If I was struggling with finance, I'd have to cut my cloth to suit, not expect handouts. BCP, get your house in order!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J578	Poole Town	You took our 3 councils away from us to merge in to the awful BCP, now talking of employing 42 more people in Poolr Alone. Our council tax has risen a ridiculous amount since we moved in, we simply can NOT afford it as it is, let alone to employ hundreds of more people to do the job we currently pay BCP to do.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J579	Poole Town	Waste if money, additional layer. If bcp isnt working, split back to the three towns and admit defeat. All a waste of time and money	Don't know/not sure	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J580	Poole Town	We spent thousands of pounds amalgamating the Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch councils, and this proposal is to now split up BCP into individual councils. What was the point of the amalgamation in the first place? What an absolute waste of resources and funds.	Don't know/not sure	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J581	Poole Town	42 is probably too many. You may struggle to find candidates. As I have said below, we don't know anything about what this council will have responsibility for. But all council services come from a budget. Will the services provided by the Town Council in place of BCP be funded from BCP's budget? The Town Council can set a precept in addition to that of BCP. However, overall services remain the same, but for a higher overall (Town and BCP council) precept. How can this be value for money? If the Town Council raises it's own precept for its own functions, will the BCP precept be reduced in accordance with its reduced function? Will Town Council precept increases be capped? Will all the Town/ parish councils have the same functions within their areas or will they vary? Who will decide what the Town Council functions will be? None of this is in the consultation.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J582	Poole Town	a) no particular concerns either way b) appears satisfactory c) pretty obvious	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J583	Poole Town	b If a town council for Poole is to be re-established, then Broadstone MUST be included. I'd welcome the abolition of BCP council and reverting to separate town councils for Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J584	Poole Town	b) The area proposed is far too large for a parish council, and should follow the example of Broadstone to form smaller parishes	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J585	Poole Town	b, The size of the proposed council is far too large, remote from communities and does not reflect the distinct character of multiple communities in the area . f, Bearwood and Merley do not fit community wise into the proposed Town Council. It would be more appropriate for these two communities to become a parish in their own right. For much the same reason as Broadstone will be. For historical reasons this new parish could be called Canford Magna	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J586	Poole Town	B. / F. Ward sizes are mostly far too big and culturally different - Parkstone and Penn Hill being prime examples. F. No one living around Ashley Road would call the area 'Branksome West' - perhaps Upper Parkstone?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J587	Poole Town	b: As previously commented on Broadstone, I do not unstained why Boadstone becomes a separate entity, excluding areas including Hillborne and Merley, which are adjacent to it. g & h: Wonder if this may be too many councillors?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J588	Poole Town	Before I can agree or disagree I need more information. What are the boundaries of Bourne valley and Branksome East? Is Westbourne included under the Poole Plan. What is the benefit of a parish for the locals? ie what power would they have?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
J589	Poole Town	Currently it looks as if the boundaries promote 'snobbery' or are to favour Vicky Slade. Either Broadstone should be included with Poole town or Creekmore should be included with Broadstone in order to create a more socially diverse population.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J590	Poole Town	d, f, g, h. I feel that you will have unnecessary layers for a zero benefit, keep it simple as will cause too much confusion over who does what. having multiple layers of councils for each area will not add to community cohesion. BCP should improve their own services rather than creating new Councils to do their job for them	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J591	Poole Town	Fairly neutral on all areas.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J592	Poole Town	H at present we have two councillors for Creekmoor. One, Judes Butt is always asking questions on our behalf. Unfortunately, the other we never hear from. My concern with the proposed three councillors is would we have the same outcome apart from not hearing from two instead of one?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J593	Poole Town	Impossible to give a measured response without knowing the cost !!!	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J594	Poole Town	Ther has been insufficient detailed information put forward as to what changes would be made in respect of responsibilities for key and supplementary services currently funded through the council tax. The incorporation of Poole and Christchurch into Bournemouth town council was to remove duplication and reduce costs Without knowing what services a Poole town council would be responsible for and if transference of those services reduces the BCP council tax pro rata then how can I possibly agree or disagree to the proposal?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J595	Poole Town	With regard to a, b, c, d, e, f & h: To me, the draft recommendations are vague as to what the new councils will cost to run, and no definitive list of what services they will provide. I can't determine how it compares to the current situation. For the proposed Poole Town Council, and the BCP area as a whole, would the total number of councillors increase, thus affecting running costs? Consequently, how can I make an informed decision on whether I agree or disagree?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J596	Poole Town	(a) Agree – Poole is one of the largest and most historically significant communities in the BCP area. Establishing a town council is a natural and necessary evolution that reflects community identity and civic legacy. (b) Agree – The use of the existing Charter Trustee boundary ensures continuity removes double payment by residents and avoids duplication or partial representation. It also enables the eventual dissolution of the Charter Trustees, which are no longer an effective model for community engagement. (c & f) Strongly agree – The name "Poole" and the use of "Town Council" honour its borough status, promote civic pride, and offer clarity. (d & e) Agree – The town style is appropriate given the scale, history, and population of Poole. It also sets the right tone for developing local governance capacity. (g) Agree – The warding arrangements provide a useful level of granularity for representation across a large and diverse urban area. However, the scale introduces complexity in electoral management and long-term governance. (h & i) – The proposal for 30 councillors seems excessive. It risks inefficiency, bloated committee structures, and diluted accountability. While the population of Poole justifies a higher-than-average number of councillors, a more appropriate figure might fall in the 20–24 range—still ample for committee work, representation, and community liaison, but more manageable and financially prudent. Reducing the number of councillors would also: Encourage a more focused and skilled group of representatives Lower governance costs Simplify meeting and decision-making procedures	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2
J597	Poole Town	(g) and (h) 3 councillors per ward sounds excessive for hyper-local politics and governance.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 2

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J598	Poole Town	Agree with overall proposal, as a way of celebrating the long history of Poole, and addressing local issues that BCP council aren't funded to cover. Is better alternative than the Trustees set up.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3
J599	Poole Town	Create it but half the number of councillors	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
J600	Poole Town	Creekmoor ward extended to include Pinesprings and Top of Hilbourne more in line with Creekmoor:Poole demographics than Broadstone's	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J601	Poole Town	I definitely agree that the establishment of a town council is a good thing for Poole but I just feel that 42 councillors is too many and should be reduced but I don't know how to do this!!	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8

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J602	Poole Town	I think Poole should have a town council. It will help to restore pride and identity and ensure local decisions can be made by local people with their priorities at the fore. The Charter Trustees were a temporary measure that are not robust enough to face the challenges and demands required to restore civic pride and local identity.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J603	Poole Town	I work in Poole and it needs its own unique identity and truly local representation not just part of BCP	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
J604	Poole Town	It is a proposal that carries real weight if the principle of ensuring a 'three towns partnership' is to flourish. No system of local governance could work to deliver such a principle if the ability to focus corporate views of the three towns is absent. The proposal for Broadstone to be a separate entity makes sense since Broadstone has a well developed Neighbourhood Forum and understands the needs and desires of Poole sympathetically : it being essential to maintain the dignity of such a heritage.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J605	Poole Town	It's too large compared to the others.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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J606	Poole Town	poole identity	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J607	Poole Town	Poole needs its town council back - so it can support and protect the identity of the town, develop events and support the residents through grant making and the protection of non-statutory services that might otherwise be at risk The creation of a town council will also allow residents to feel they have a specific 'Poole' say in consultations, planning applications etc. it will help develop the twinning too. the sheriff should be retained but the regalia should be put in the museum, retaining a more modest chain of office	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J608	Poole Town	Poole should be separate from Bournemouth	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J609	Poole Town	Poole should have a single parish council covering the exact boundaries of the former Poole Borough Council.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1

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J610	Poole Town	Poole Town Council MUST include Broadstone. Broadstone is very much part of the former town and borough of Poole and is currently within the boundary of the Poole Charter. Broadstone must not be split from the town of Poole. Simply looking at the map shews a meaningless bite out of the boundary of Poole.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J611	Poole Town	Recommendation b: The creation of Poole Town Council with the proposed boundary is too large to operate effectively as a local Town Council and is to close to the former boundary of Poole Borough Council. Poole should be divided into a small number of Town or Parish Councils to reflect the more local communities in the town.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J612	Poole Town	Thanks here to define the goals choice between parties lie line at this time	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J613	Poole Town	there are too many counccillors half the number of councillor will save costs for expenses, elections and by eleciotns and be easier to fill vacancies	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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J614	Poole Town	These proposals are good	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J615	Poole Town	This should also include Broadstone - see comments made earlier	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J616	Poole Town	Upton is a large parish and not included but specifically on the boarder f BCP - it should be included as part of BCP and not Dorset . My experience of the Town Council in Upton is very under represented by young people and the issues affecting people and young families are often not properly represented or understood	Agree	Respondent from outside BCP	respondent living outside proposal area	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
J617	Poole Town	Value in having effective local governance, more attuned to local issues where applicable	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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J618	Poole Town	"A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H". I am currently unable to make an informed decision either way about this change as I have been given very little information about what changes would actually take place in the event that this goes ahead. I am therefore left with no option but to say that I disagree strongly with the proposal until such time as more information about the changes and any subsequent consequences (either good or bad) have been made available to me to consider, at which point I could make a fair and balanced decision.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J619	Poole Town	(a) - (h) As for my comments on the Broadstone Town Council proposal, i/e. It is not clear how adding another layer of bureaucracy will benefit the residents of Broadstone. Although it will give the appearance of allowing a more "local" say in council services, it will introduce confusion over who is responsible for which services, delay decision-making, decrease efficiency, and reduce community cohesion by splitting us away from other parts of the BCP area. Not many years ago, we were sold the idea of merging Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole councils into one council as a way to improve efficiency; now, the suggestion is to introduce another layer of councils, effectively splitting BCP into even smaller components than before. That is hardly a consistent approach to local government!	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J620	Poole Town	(a) It is only a few short years since the councils of Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch were amalgamated into BCP Council on the grounds that 'big is better' and more efficient for local government. After all the time and huge cost that that entailed, creating new separate councils for Poole and Bournemouth as well as Christchurch would take us right back to square one except that there would be an extra layer of bureaucracy in the form of BCP! It would make a nonsense of the whole thing! The proposal to now create a whole host of new smaller councils under BCP is surely an admission that big is not better and that BCP is not able to deal efficiently with more local matters. It might even suggest that the formation of BCP was a mistake in the first place! (b) Why is Broadstone not included in the map of Poole? We were part of the old Poole Council area.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8

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J621	Poole Town	(a) my comments in relation to Poole are the same as those for Broadstone	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J622	Poole Town	(a) Please see comments on the wider issues (Bournemouth, Poole) re benefits of co-ordination, consistency and liaison across the conurbation plus the efficiency gains (to council(s) and residents) from having a single body address issues.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
J623	Poole Town	(a) Poole is a town and port, not a parish. (f) & (g) this is too large, too many councillors and guaranteed to be beyond accountability to the residents.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J624	Poole Town	(a) the establishment of a Poole town Council will just cause the electorate to pay more council tax. You only have to see Christchurch town councils yearly cost to each member of the electorate. This is good evidence for not making another town council within BCP.	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 3

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J625	Poole Town	(g) 42 Councillors is a ridiculous amount for a Parish Council - styled as a Town Council.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J626	Poole Town	A - I disagree with the proposal to create a parish council for the town of Poole. Under the original local government reorganisation process and the creation of BCP Council, Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch came together but unfortunately does not appear to have been successful in uniting the towns. Creating separate town councils will not help community cohesion or BCP Council as representatives of all three towns. More work needs to be done to unite rather than create new divisions.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
J627	Poole Town	a to h. It is not long since the Poole Council with Christchurch and Bournemouth were united into one Council for good solid reasons. To now create a Poole Council is absolutely bonkers. It makes Councillors who take these decisions look ridiculous which in turn causes the electorate to take little interest in local government.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
J628	Poole Town	a) and d) I don't believe we need an extra layer of admin and bureaucracy. I don't see a benefit to residents in establishing parish councils but I do see that there will be additional costs to residents, and BCP councillors will be less accountable for maintaining the separate local areas, and will pass the buck to parish councils for issues it finds too expensive or too difficult to deal with. What was the point in amalgamating the town councils into BCP if only to create a new sub-layer of councillors? I thought the larger council was meant to benefit from economies of scale, better purchasing power and reduced admin and bureaucracy. The creation of parish councils undermines the arguments for the creation of BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6

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J629	Poole Town	a) I see no benefit in creating any new layers of government below BCP Council. I believe that the merger of the three councils (Bournemouth Poole Christchurch) has led to economies of scale which enable the efficient and cost-effective provision of services. To introduce additional local layers of service provision would not be an improvement as the fragmentation of control would lead to less efficiency and higher costs. Further, I find it convenient to have a single point of contact when dealing with 'the council'. I would find it more difficult to make contact with the appropriate service provider and would feel less able to hold them to account if service provision was split across BCP council and a local council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
J630	Poole Town	a) It an unnecessary level of beauracy and an informal council parish council could be created under the existing charter system g)-h) The number of councilors should be less than present BCP councilors supprting the area If happends it should 10-1320 councilors should be the max	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J631	Poole Town	a) to h) (all) I strongly disagree with the need for parish councils when we already have an amalgamated Council	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
J632	Poole Town	a)To form any type of Parish or Town Council is totally unnecessary and will only add confusion with BCP as to who is doing what and risk of duplication. There will be no worthwhile benefit to the constituents to form this extra layer of Local Government. Keep things simple and leave BCP as it is.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8

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J633	Poole Town	a, d I disagree. Town and Parish councils should be removed as they add an unnecessary layer of councils for no added benefit. Equivalent roles and clear departmental structures already exist under BCP so these should be given the full remit to improve their own services, with existing precept payments being absorbed into these departmental budgets. Ward councillors already provide the representation to ensure community views and cohesion are considered in council decisions.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
J634	Poole Town	a,b,c Poole should not have a new parish/town council - there should not be new councils set up at extra cost, where there would be no benefit & possible increase in council tax	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
J635	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,f :- The creation of parish councils is adding another layer of bureaucracy to the unitary authority of BCP which the bringing together of the 3 councils said it would avoid. We have local councillors that are elected to represent the views of the area they are elected too, and therefore this additional layer will add authority to those who are elected to represent our areas to the large unitary authority.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
J636	Poole Town	A,b,c,d,e,f,g,h you have just spent millions of pounds amalgamating the councils and now you want to bring them back and keep the new one and add parish councils who is going to pay for this? Rather than wasting my money on power trips like this why don't you investigate the millions of pounds wasted on that future thigy	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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J637	Poole Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h We have a Town Council which has council representatives for each area. We do not need more levels of administration but for existing Councillors to do their job and represent their ward to the Council with diligence and hard work on behalf of their electors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
J638	Poole Town	a,b,d,f and g. I believe with the governments current proposals on local government we should not be considering any further changes in local government until the governments decisions on merging councils has been completed and we should take a lead from central government. We have no need for additional councillors and by introducing an additional council we will lengthen the time made for decisions, increase costs and will not provide any material benefit. This is just reverting back to the pre BCP council adding more layers and costing residents more money for no gain	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
J639	Poole Town	a. Disagree. Reasons: 1.Highly divisive action across BCP, promoting different levels of service throughout the conurbation. 2. Unnecessary additional level of bureaucracy 3. Resident confusion as to which councillor to contact, i.e one of the BCP councillors, or one of the 42 proposed parish councillors. 4. Confusion as to who is responsible for services. 5. Confusion as to who is accountable for services. 6. Additional cost to residents without any clear advantages 7. Overall lack of resident support for the proposal which is considered to be unnecessary. 8. Contrary to the aims of Local Government Reform objectives to produce savings and efficiencies via consolidation of area services and organisations. 9. Promotes division between the BCP community.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5

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J640	Poole Town	A. I do not agree to the creation of additional Town/Parish councils. This is due to the increased costs that Council Tax payers will inevitably have to pay. When BCP was created, the idea was to save costs and decrease the number of councillors overall. There are no detailed costings included with the proposals, however the introduction of Town/Parish councils so respondents have no accurate details on which to base our decisions. However there will be increased costs in the form of buildings, staff etc and like the PCC's these will quickly spiral out of control. If you want to give greater local accountability, reinstating the original Borough Councils and disbanding BCP would be preferable.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
J641	Poole Town	Additional administration burden. BCP council exists; it needs to provide better operational structures not create a town/parish council.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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J642	Poole Town	'a-h inclusive' - Do you seriously consider that BCP's Stage 2 proposal for Poole Town Council, of 42 councillors representing an electorate of 113K in 17 wards is deliverable? In what would be a start-up situation, with zero members, zero officers and zero funds, is this really feasible? From what I have read, the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) recommendation is a maximum of 25 councillors for a large Town Council. As an example, Weymouth Town Council, created at the same time as Christchurch, has responsibility for a wide range of services, a huge budget and operates with the requisite 25 councillors. The current proposal to roll out the same 'Mop up Town Council' solution, which was imposed on 10s of 1000s of people in Christchurch in 2018/19, across Bournemouth and Poole needs to be considered very carefully before being implemented. This time around, 100s of 1000s are going to feel the impact and when in place, a large Town Council is virtually impossible to remove. Councillors can 'sow the seeds' and 'sell the benefits' but the push and enthusiasm should be from bottom up, not top down. The final decision should come from the people. If there is any evidence of the outcome being little more than self-serving for councillors, plans should be abandoned The repercussions of a CGR are not easy to understand. There has been a lot of 'selling of the benefits' in the Council's promotion of this process but nothing has been said about the practical issues and difficulties surrounding local governance at this level. When residents have not requested any community-based changes, lack of engagement should not be considered acceptance of draft proposals. In the best interests of democracy and the community, Officers and Members should only interpret & act on data/input received. Otherwise, they are imposing their ideas/wishes on residents and householders are picking up the cost. Under a CGR banner, BCP Council is proposing to bring together widely varying communities to create a town council, rather than recognising areas with a cohesive identity to create parishes within the established Charter Trust areas. Has the creation of Parish Councils under the Charter Trustees for the three areas where there is obvious support for a local voice (LGBC Para 134) been considered and dismissed? These being Southbourne, Redhill & Northbourne and Broadstone, It is less clear where Boscombe & Pokesdown currently stand on this issue. From what has been said in Full Council meetings, it seems at some time there was support for a community council for this area. Hopefully, feedback from the Stage 3 process will resolve this matter. This leaves Poole, where surely those calling for a Town Council should have been encouraged to produce a more viable solution, centred around the old town, the quay and appropriate outlying areas, rather than mopping up	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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		everywhere other than Broadstone into one Council. The additional £2.00 per annum payable to the existing Charter Trustees, by each of households in the new parishes, is insignificant, given the opportunities that will open up to those who genuinely want a community parish council. Finally, if there is no statutory requirement for this CGR, and any suggestion of political motivation is to be quashed, the fundamental question which needs to be answered is 'Why Now?'					
J643	Poole Town	A-h) Council tax should be reduced and services improved	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1

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J644	Poole Town	All these separate parish councillors are just jobs for the boys, jobs whose wage bills will increase our council tax by hundreds of pounds, they are not necessary or wanted	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
J645	Poole Town	An un-necessary expence	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
J646	Poole Town	b. Poole Town should be the town and not include outlying areas as in Christchurch.	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
J647	Poole Town	BCPC was recently formed and the number of councillors was dramatically reduced. Now you want to do the opposite?? You need to stick to one set-up, not keep changing every 5 minutes! Make the current system work! Increase the number of ward councillors if you need to but don't add additional layer of complexity.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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J648	Poole Town	Disagree with All of the above	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
J649	Poole Town	Do not need	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
J650	Poole Town	Duplication of work, unnecessary layer of democracy. Go back to just Poole Council. Get rid of BCP	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J651	Poole Town	I am happy for the existing parish councils to continue but disagree with the creation of any further parish councils being created within the BCP Area. The whole point of having a unitary authority was to have economies of scale with fewer staff and less costs. Why spend more money on a local government tier that has very limited power? It's just another layer of bureaucracy and cost.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1

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J652	Poole Town	I am opposed to the introduction of Parish Councils in principle. Parish Councils will exacerbate the older unbearable inequality in the UK and in the BCP conurbation.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4
J653	Poole Town	I disagree with the need for parish and town councils	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
J654	Poole Town	I do not agree that any area requires a parish council. I believe that all functions should be carried out by BCP council. Anything more is an unnecessary complication and a waste of money. How are people supposed to know who does what? How can you ensure that the various parish councils act with any consistency?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
J655	Poole Town	I do not think that the constituents can afford to pay more than they already are for council tax. In the current economy people are already struggling to pay their overheads let alone fork out more, for what seems to be the same service they already receive, with no monetary cap on what can be charged. It's a terrible idea.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH11 9

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J656	Poole Town	I don't feel we should be appointing an extra 42 councillors who will have limited power. We already have sub-committees with specific responsibilities who can [unknown] the main council committee.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J657	Poole Town	I think this is too large an area and not sure what distinguishes it from pre 2019 governance framework - it's Poole Borough mark 2. If residents want it then I would support it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
J658	Poole Town	In general, I don't support Parish Councils. Increase the number of ward councillors if you need to. But don't start adding layers of bureaucracy and complexity. Not after we've gone through the pain of all joining!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
J659	Poole Town	Just another layer of bureaucracy	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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J660	Poole Town	not enough information	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J661	Poole Town	Our area doesn't need another level of bureaucracy	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
J662	Poole Town	Parish councils are an unnecessary administrative tier. They result in additional costs - without value for money - for council tax payers.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
J663	Poole Town	Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4

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J664	Poole Town	Parish Councils generally attract Narcissists and mini Hitlers, who love the power and control, this position gives them in the community. Control over decisions and people that live in these areas. Procedure and following the system is everything, the end result is irrelevant. They have fragile egos and hate criticism. They are in control and you little people must go through me first, in fact, this whole community is under my influence and control.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
J665	Poole Town	Parish councils represent unnecessary bureaucracy and are a waste of money.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
J666	Poole Town	Poole Council was replaced got be within BCP there is no need to recreate it and fuel the home rule for Poole Councillors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
J667	Poole Town	Poole doesn't need a Parish Council.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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J668	Poole Town	Poole is part of the larger urban area of BCP. There is not enough difference between the various wards to warrant making the area a separate town council. Apart from the historic Poole Quay area, everywhere else is just part of BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
J669	Poole Town	Re a and d - the parish council should not be created. It is a waste of tax payers money and adds unnecessary bureaucracy. Public funds are right enough and we should be reducing this bureaucracy not increasing it. I do not think the areas that do have these already get good value for the extra money they pay.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
J670	Poole Town	Seems a very large area with lots of councillors - is it practical?	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J671	Poole Town	Strongly disagree against any and all town and/or parish councils. If the central Local Authority cannot function in its current format, then you must disband BCP and hand responsibility back to the separate localities. We are facing a cost of living crisis, and forcing more cost onto the rate payer, especially at a time where BCP has swindled and wasted millions, is a recipe for disaster. I will personally see that if this is forced through that you will see similar to the Poll Tax. Do not do this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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J672	Poole Town	The bureaucracy and cost of additional layers of local government should be avoided wherever possible.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
J673	Poole Town	The proposed boundary should not include any areas within Alderney & Bourne Valley or Talbot & Branksome Woods which have become seen as parts of Bournemouth.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
J674	Poole Town	The wards in Talbot Woods which currently form part of Bournemouth west constituency identify as bournemouth and would end up having town council representation in Poole and BCP representation closer to Bournemouth. Local residents in the area are opposed to the plans. If this does go ahead the geographic scope should me much narrower.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
J675	Poole Town	There is no need for another layer of government.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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J676	Poole Town	This is a nonsense. This isn't Poole town it's just whatever's left over from the old Poole council area. Why are these proposals sticking to old pre-BCP boundaries. Talbot and Wallisdown would be a more cohesive area than where this boundary lises. Hamworthy should have it's own town council. I don't see what Canford Cliffs has in common with Oakdale	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH11 8
J677	Poole Town	This is just another layer of bureaucracy and expense that serves political rather than local interests and infrastructure	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J678	Poole Town	This one is a little more logical but again defies the spirit of the BCP merger. The entire proposal smacks of people just trying to turn the clock back in parochial mindsets instead of applying themselves to the task at hand of running the BCP authority properly.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
J679	Poole Town	This represents another layer of bureaucracy throughout the area with additional costs. We have only just got rid of the 'original' layers of local government at considerable cost (although it was sold as a cost saving). Now you intend to set up all these additional layers. It implies the original decision was wrong - we end up paying for your mistakes!!!	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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J680	Poole Town	This whole thing is wrong! I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost. The timing of this consultation is so wrong costing in excess of £100k when money could have been better spent. I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys' . . . Or should I say girls in this instance! This survey and completing it is so very onerous. That too is disgusting and it's obviously relying on people to not bother giving their views as it's too difficult DISAGREE	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J681	Poole Town	Unnecessary layer of bureaucracy. Too many members of the electorate required to elect a councillor compared with other proposed parishes therefore undemocratic.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
J682	Poole Town	Waste of money. This is not necessarily.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8

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J683	Poole Town	Waste of time & money	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J684	Poole Town	Wasting public money	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH11 9
J685	Poole Town	We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes! They should control their funds instead of going into huge debt & asking schools to subsidise their debt. The system needs to be simplified NOT further complicated. Further councillors means more expensive council tax for NO PURPOSEFUL REASON- just more people doing a bad job. This is an unnecessary cost for zero benefit.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
J686	Poole Town	We do not want this. Lost faith in BCP. Time for a vote of no confidence	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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J687	Poole Town	We had a council that looked after Poole. You are going backwards. BCP has proven itself to be ineffective in looking after rookie and its people already. Another layer of govt & another layer of hidden tax is unacceptable. Poole is a shadow of its former self. Get rid of BCP completely. They are a shambles and an embarrassment. BCP councillors are power crazed and definitely not doing the best for the people they serve!	Disagree	Respondent from outside BCP	respondent living outside proposal area	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
J688	Poole Town	we have enough council governance as a tri borough council (BCP) and do not need another level of governance.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
J689	Poole Town	You didn't let us vote to combine 3 town councils, now you want to divide them and likely charge us more tax. No. If you want to divide then give us back the three separate town councils.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH17 7
J690	Poole Town	Get rid of BCP council and leave just three separate, independent single tier authorities for Christchurch, Poole and Bournemouth.	Neither agree nor disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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J691	Poole Town	It is not for Electoral Services to comment on these questions	Neither agree nor disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
J692	Poole Town	ok	Neither agree nor disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J693	Poole Town	The problem with the Draft recommendations are their incredible inconsistency. Why should any comparably sized area be treated differently? Such a situation is inherently unfair and undemocratic. An argument might be made for treating 'rural' areas slightly differently if any can be reasonably defined within BCP but this seems unlikely.	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
J694	Poole Town	This feels like a step back to where we were before the BCP council merger. Does this imply that decision was wrong?	Neither agree nor disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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J695	Poole Town	If we keep the Charter Trust are we liable to pay double tax. This is what we need to know, especially no one wants to pay more tax due to your changes in going forward or is it backward looking		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J696	Poole Town	It is of concern to note that the precept for Christchurch Town Council (with 19 councillors for an electorate of 25,000 residents) is twice that of the Parish Councils, whereas Poole Town Council would have 42 councillors for an electorate of 112,000, so the precept is likely to be even higher. This demonstrates that it is better value for money for residents to have smaller parish councils than for re-establishing a Poole Town Council, which was abolished in 2019.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J697	Poole Town	Please inform residents of likely costs of forming new town councils. This looks like a way of increasing costs and avoiding goverment restrictions in percentage increase each year		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J698	Poole Town	The boundaries of “Poole” council are clear – however the town will be disadvantaged and overwhelmed, if the whole of the town is 1x parish – when the town of Bournemouth is “represented” as 4x separate parishes. Resources for “Poole” (as well as Christchurch) will instead be routed (diverted/stolen) for projects elsewhere. The number of parishes need to be equivalent across the “Three Towns”, based on population, rate-payers, and geography –the cultural and historic value across the towns should be valued for this as well. The Parish boundaries need to be reviewed and corrected, for equal representation for everyone.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J699	Poole Town	The draft recommendation short on detail of future operation for residents to make an informed decision. For example - what services to be transferred to the new Poole Town Council; future funding of Poole town council; duties of requested new local councillors.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J700	Poole Town	When BCP was formed we were told it would reduce cost, improve services and streamline everything. This proposal allows for 42 new councillors with no indication of cost to residents and no cap on number. To me this just seems to be another way of raising revenue without providing any additional benefits.		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J701	Poole Town	Why is Broadstone not included in the Map of Poole?		Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J702	Poole Town	A definitive list of responsibilities would be better. Newtown/Oakdale area boundary is not clear.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J703	Poole Town	Agree in principle	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J704	Poole Town	Alderney District is prevented from having food waste caddy collections while most of BCP Council's other areas all have such a collection. Since Alderney residents pay Council Tax like all other districts, I think Alderney residents are entitled to a massive apology and the food waste caddy collection system should be applied to Alderney without further delay. There is also the question of the removal of the boardwalk connecting a footpath from Herbert Avenue all the way into the Alderney Recreation area instead of repairing the boardwalk and keeping the path available for residents. If the new Parish councillors get this path re-opened and a new boardwalk installed there will be a point to their existence.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J705	Poole Town	all good	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J706	Poole Town	Are 42 Councillors a bit excessive. Would 34 or 36 be a better number.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J707	Poole Town	As a resident in the long thin strip of land appended onto Alderney I object to being cut out from both the Bournemouth/Wallisdown boundaries as well as the Bourne Valley boundaries. The way these are drawn looks like clear gerrymandering and doesn't follow practical or logical boundaries; and neither does it reflect the actual composition of the area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J708	Poole Town	As this is only a parish council, I presume councillors are entirely volunteers and not expected an allowance or to complete casework?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J709	Poole Town	b) & f) A re-established Poole Town Council should include Broadstone, and have precisely the same borders/boundaries as the pre-BCP boundaries of Poole Borough Council, thus preserving the historic advantages and cultural ties of an integrated town. The proposed boundary as presented in the map above looks and feels wrong, and is metaphorically a body with a limb missing.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J710	Poole Town	BCP was proposed mainly to take advantage of savings due to a single authority rather than three. As expected, this did reduce the individual identities of the three towns to be promoted and celebrated as before. The Poole town council will have the chance to promote the long history of Poole and arrange events around that history. It is so important that the children growing up in Poole are aware and proud of where they live.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J711	Poole Town	Break down Bournemouth and Poole parishes into smaller, appropriate parishes, ensuring that Wallisdown is recognised properly as an area which cuts across historical Bournemouth/Poole boundaries.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5

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J712	Poole Town	cant think	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J713	Poole Town	Councillors should be independent members and not affiliated to any political party.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J714	Poole Town	Creekmoor needs a new junior [unknown] given the demand for [unknown] places. [unknown sentence]	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J715	Poole Town	Following the consultation closing and the review taken place, full transparency of the comments and thoughts of residents needs to be made publicly available to ensure that the recommendations put forward by the review panel to Full Council in Autumn 2025 do actually reflect the resident wishes. Town/parish councils should only be making decisions relating to very local matters and also be providing feedback re wider issues to full council. Services provided to all BCP residents (eg bin collections, lighting, policing, highway maintenance) should be undertaken and maintained at full BCP level.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J716	Poole Town	g) and h) Decrease the number of councillors to around 15.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
J717	Poole Town	Get on an do it, if we could reverse the creation of BCP we would do it but this is not possible	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7

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J718	Poole Town	Great Idea	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J719	Poole Town	Hopefully a Town Council will bring back the Quay events and get back to promoting Tourism in the area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J720	Poole Town	I agree Poole needs it's own council to maintain its individual identity. Poole needs it's own town council Chambers as per that in the civic centre. At present, Poole,s identity is being subsumed by Bournemouth. Poole is an ancient Borough going back to Roman times, is in the doomsday book and should be protected at all costs.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J721	Poole Town	I am massively disappointed in this council, as are many other residents. It feels like you spend money you don't have on initiatives we are residents don't want. This is yet another one. Please stop and just do your job and make BCP work. I went to Wimborne last weekend and I was so impressed with how vibrant and busy it was. I parked for free for half an hour. BCP should concentrate on bringing footfall BACK into our town centres, encourage businesses to open, bring back visitors, stop blocking roads and making traffic worse. This is what you should be doing, not spending thousands on lots of consultations that you then don't listen to and grid locking our town.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J722	Poole Town	I am unsure why these changes are necessary. Is it because the present way of governing the BCP is too large and unworkable? I would certainly like to see positive changes for the Poole area, especially the town itself which has suffered from the absence of any real direction and now consists mainly of coffee shops and charity shops. What has happened to the long awaited redevelopment of the Dolphin centre? However I am concerned that these proposals may increase bureaucracy, cause unnecessary divisions between the parishes and create a higher tax burden for the residents. In theory it might appear a good idea but not necessarily in practice. Only time will tell!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J723	Poole Town	I believe that the historic town of Poole should decide on its own matters.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J724	Poole Town	I believe this change is long overdue as Poole seems to have lost its historic identity and just absorbed into Bournemouth.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J725	Poole Town	I do have concerns that some of wards, namely Canford Cliffs has vastly different issues to most of the other wards and this might make decision making challenging. Also the Parkstone and Penn Hill wards are drawn in such a way that the councillors would be representing people of vastly different economic backgrounds, who would have hugely different issues day-to-day. I would have split both wards and added an Ashley Road ward. Would the town council have power over leisure facilities? Poole Dolphin Leisure Centre has recently come back into council operations but it needs severe investment. Their opening hours and class times appear to mostly cater to non-economically active residents, and the facilities are crumbling, there is literally a full hole in the wooden wall of the sauna.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J726	Poole Town	I do not understand why Broadstone is not included in Poole Town. From about 1931 it was part of the Borough of Poole and provided some outstanding members and Mayors.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J727	Poole Town	I expect as always, those in favour will be the silent majority and it will be the few empty cans making the most noise. The BCP was forced upon us so hope this opportunity is taken to undo some of the unwanted joining. As somebody who is from an old Poole family, I want to see Poole maintain its identity and say in what happens within it.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J728	Poole Town	I like to see the dolphin Centre and the pedstrain walkway from the Dolphin Centre , Kingland Road improved the number of times I seen near misses of trips and falls	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J729	Poole Town	I should like to see more preservation of our local heritage and not allow the carnage of our old buildings and thus destroying a tremendous amount of our history.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
J730	Poole Town	I support this local ownership agenda.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J731	Poole Town	I think the whole draft is extremely confusing and made deliberately so to prevent residents from commenting about the proposals so local government can make changes without residents fully understanding the implications. I for one would appreciate less confusing facts and would basically like to know how much extra it would cost me.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J732	Poole Town	I understand there will be an additional charge within our council tax to cover parish councils but would like to see transparency about costs/expenses and also assurances that charges do not escalate because you have not anticipated all eventualities/issues to be covered by parish councils.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J733	Poole Town	I want to see more trees and all hedges, no matter who owns them, are trimmed before March. We are losing garden birds at a frightening rate.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J734	Poole Town	I would change the awful colours displayed upon The Kingsland centre. But then I like colours and not that mess. Whom ever determined those colours did so as an act of sabotage against Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J735	Poole Town	I would give greater powers to Poole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J736	Poole Town	I would hope the councillors believe in democracy and open yo the public	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J737	Poole Town	I would like to be assured that adequate resources are transferred as a baseline over from BCP council, and not the assumption that everything for the new Parish/Town Council is newly funded..	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J738	Poole Town	I would like to see more visible publicity about events taking place. Out and about on posters/public transport, not just social media. Stop filling up empty land with unaffordable housing and put up simple accommodation for those who just want a home for their family.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J739	Poole Town	I would like to see Poole Civic centre protected as the heritage of Poole citizens. There are many notable features. It saddened me to see a for sale sign outside and I fear for it's future. Possibly a Poole parish will address this	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J740	Poole Town	I would like to see Poole Town council return as a self governing entity to support its residents and protect its heritage.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J741	Poole Town	Ideally I would like much more autonomy and decision making powers for the town of Poole as our issues are different to that of Bournemouth and I feel we have suffered for being part of the larger council	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J742	Poole Town	If we cannot have our own council then BCP should be renamed CPB in order of history. Because, of course Bournemouth has so little why should it come first.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J743	Poole Town	In general, I am concerned that we are creating a double layer of “bureaucracy” by creating parish or town councils.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J744	Poole Town	In my opinion there needs to be a greater focus on providing sufficient parking for visitors and residents alike. I think the councilors need to be focussed on attracting developers who are prepared to produce good looking buildings rather than hampering them by not allowing adequate parking to ensure that these developments are viable. Currently the pursuit of trying to restrict parking and make everything look like an old warehouse has stifled otherwise good looking developments. The additional councillor would help in making the change.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J745	Poole Town	Integrated Neighbourhood Teams are a key part of how health and social care and support are organised. Recognising that health is influenced by many factors beyond healthcare - including housing, local infrastructure, education, community relationships, the natural environment- it would be helpful if the footprint of Integrated Neighbourhood Teams and of local ward, parish and town council boundaries could be considered together. NHS Dorset will have up to date information on the plans for Integrated Neighbourhood Teams.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J746	Poole Town	Interested on the process the councillors are elected	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J747	Poole Town	It should not be charged for in addition to the existing rates and money should be found from within existing budgets	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J748	Poole Town	It was only a few years ago that Poole town council was abolished and merged with BCP. The rationale was to save money. The proposal put forward would suggest that the original merger is not working and the residents of Poole do not feel properly represented by BCP council. Now we are suggested a new layer, of governance, no doubt at some cost, to provide Poole residents with local councillors. Would it not be far better to acknowledge that BCP Council does not work for separate towns, demerge Poole from BCP in order for us to have a single layer of government for Poole Town!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J749	Poole Town	It would be important that the wards did not feel too separate from each other, that Poole as a whole works together.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J750	Poole Town	It would be wonderful for Poole to have back its own identity	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J751	Poole Town	Lacks clarity on the actual functions of the Town Council.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J752	Poole Town	Local issues,not government	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J753	Poole Town	Make the Town centre more attractive for day trippers a must place for visitors	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J754	Poole Town	Move forward leave Bournemouth behind and Christchurch	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J755	Poole Town	My only hesitation is that council officers work ethics seem to be lacking compared to commercial organisations. strickly 9-5 ers, moan about overwork but slow working habits, and not reaching KPI's (if indeed these are used !!) compared to commercial counterparts. If this initiative means more of the same - then it needs MUCH better leadership and work attitudes - to get stuff done.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J756	Poole Town	N/A	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J757	Poole Town	N/A	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J758	Poole Town	Nit at this time.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J759	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J760	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J761	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J762	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J763	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J764	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J765	Poole Town	No	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J766	Poole Town	no further comments	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J767	Poole Town	No increase in council tax. Local residents to have more say in how community charge and funding is distributed.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J768	Poole Town	No thank you	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J769	Poole Town	No, I think the proposals are good and Poole will regain an identity without the cost of separate BCP councils.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J770	Poole Town	No. Relating to Q17. Poor health means it's not possible to consider being a councillor.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J771	Poole Town	Only that this clearly is a labour government driven endeavour that only serves to create more layers of bureaucracy and payment for yet more councillors many of whom do not earn their allowance. If this goes ahead the councillors elected should be asked to have a greatly increased workload and be held accountable for the work they do (or don't do) and what they contribute to their community (or not)	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J772	Poole Town	Parkstone and Sandbanks need to be distinct from Poole town	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J773	Poole Town	Perhaps a monthly meeting or making buildings like the old town community centre active again as it had been neglected (I think there is a weight watchers there once per week and that is it - very underutilised)	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J774	Poole Town	Please can you get on and sell Poole Civic Centre? Andy Town Council should be able to use other buildings more cheaply otherwise any precept will be spent on maintaining a building that isn't needed. The precept and money from any sale could be better spent elsewhere.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J775	Poole Town	Please implement these recommendations	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8

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J776	Poole Town	Poole civic centre needs to be reinstated and for a lot of pooles historical events to be returned and Poole should be separate from the other 2 councils	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 0
J777	Poole Town	Poole has so much history and character in the while Poole Town area. Unfortunately Bournemouth seems to be seen to take priority within this area, although it has much less to offer. By creating a Poole Town Council, I hope the area can build on it key components and promote ,/ govern itself outside of the BCP area.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J778	Poole Town	Poole is thriving and has long history this must not be lost or dismissed by the domination of Bournemouth.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J779	Poole Town	Poole needs it autonomy back	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J780	Poole Town	Poole needs serious investment and development. It was once a thriving town with a good infrastructure and many businesses bringing wealth into the town. I rarely go into Poole Town now as I find it depressing, especially Kingland Crescent and Dolphin Centre. However , the beaches are lovely although the development on the promenade at Sandbanks is too large.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J781	Poole Town	Poole Town requires community led governance ensuring the interests of the whole of the local community are sought and served.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J782	Poole Town	Poole Town should be as independent of Bournemouth as possible. Ideally, BCP would be abolished, leaving Poole independent again.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J783	Poole Town	Reduce the number of councillors to a more manageable figure.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J784	Poole Town	Sever ties with Bournemouth and Christchurch totally. The whole experiment has been a disaster!	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J785	Poole Town	Since BCP became an entity all decisions appear to be Bournemouth based.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J786	Poole Town	Since the amalgamation intoBCP Poole has definitely become the poor relation and higher council tax largely used to fund business expansion in Bournemouth	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J787	Poole Town	Space should be allocated within the vacant Poole Civic Centre for the Town Council, the Mayor's Office and all civic regalia, as well as the function room. Repairs need to be put in hand ASAP (Grade II Listed Building)	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J788	Poole Town	The Charter Trustee system should be abolished	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 8
J789	Poole Town	The council needs to cover a smaller and more unified area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J790	Poole Town	The following polling districts shouldn't be included in Poole Town Council, and should instead be part of Bournemouth Town Council (if established): BM6 - Bearwood & Merley 6 BM7 - Bearwood & Merley 7 (excluding BM7-A which is in Poole) CC3-A - Canford Cliffs 3A TB1 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 1 (part) All of TB5 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 5, not just a part, should be in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council. None of it is in Bournemouth. WB1-A - Westbourne & West Cliff 1A should also be included in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council, as it is in Poole. Less important than the overall boundary, but in my opinion, some of the proposed wards which are currently the same as the existing BCP council could be changed. I think there would be benefit to having different wards for the town council, avoiding confusion and, for example, 'councillor for Penn Hill ward' meaning two different things. I also think there are issues with the boundaries of those wards themselves. For example, as a resident of Lilliput, it's frustrating that a relatively small but well-recognised community is currently split between three different council wards, with one boundary going directly through the middle of Lilliput Road. My proposal, taking into account the desire to keep wards with 2-3 councillors, would be something like this. Lower Parkstone ward - 2 councillors PS1 PS2 (part) - western half of this polling district split by a line roughly running NNW from Bournemouth Road just east of Courtney Road, up to North Road keeping just west of Glenmount Drive and Mount Road. PS3 PS4 (part) - Everything north of Whitecliff park (excluding the Elms estate).	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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		Upper Parkstone ward - 2 councillors PS2 (part) - Other half of polling district as described above. PH2 (part) - North of railway line. PH3 (part) - North of railway line. PH4 Lilliput & Penn Hill ward - 2 councillors PH1 PH2 (part) - South of railway line. PH3 (part) - South of railway line. PS4 (part) - South of Whitecliff park (Elms estate). CC1 (part) - Everything west of Luscombe Valley nature reserve (also BH14 postcode boundary). CC5 (part) - Eastern side (odds) of Archway Road between Leicester Road and the railway.* *Even if the wards remain largely unchanged from the BCP wards, I believe these homes should be in Penn Hill ward. They're right in what most would consider the commercial centre of the Penn Hill area, and quite a distance from the rest of Canford Cliffs ward. The wards of Canford Cliffs, Oakdale and Creekmoor are harder to redraw in a way that makes sense (particularly the latter two), but could name changes (e.g. Canford Cliffs, Branksome Park & Sandbanks) be considered to differentiate them from the BCP wards?					
J791	Poole Town	The lack of financial resources that has plagued councils since 2010 and the years following during which the successive Conservative governments reduced and eventually abolished core government funding for councils is not understood by local residents. This is largely because councils in this area have not told them about it. That is understandable while the councils were in Conservative control, but they are now not. A brief 'flyer' explaining how this lack of resources has come about could work wonders for creating a more sympathetic understanding of the need of councils to save money.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J792	Poole Town	The map is hard to see and can't zoom in to see boundaries. I would hope and suggest that Poole town council utilise the civic centre by Poole Park as the previous Poole Borough Council did.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J793	Poole Town	The number of wards proposed and number of councillors is excessive.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J794	Poole Town	The old Borough of Poole had a history going back through hundreds of years. Reviving its traditions, ceremonies and including again the old armorial badge of Poole could revive a pride in the uniqueness of our area . So many people live here who know little or nothing of Poole's past. This would be an opportunity to show what a special place Poole is, and what a contribution it could make to the area as a whole.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
J795	Poole Town	The proposed boundaries are illogical. The old Poole borough should be subdivided into smaller parish council areas. There is no logic in removing one area namely Broadstone out of the previous Poole area but leaving all the surrounding areas in a single council area. PQF consider that all the parish/town council areas across the whole of the BCP areas should be of similar size	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J796	Poole Town	The Town Council name should be just POOLE COUNCIL, as Poole Town Council can be a misleading name and only reflects Poole town itself and does not inclusive the Wards listed for the new Council for Poole	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J797	Poole Town	This whole plan seems like an elaborate way to circumvent the BCPs debt and budget issues -but it is a good idea in that respect. Also great for Poole to be broken off from the absolute waste of space that is most of Bournemouth	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J798	Poole Town	To bring back pride in Poole, to help with Poole issues and more local understanding and consultation	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J799	Poole Town	Unless all the separate areas of Poole are getting their own Town or Parish Council, e.g. Hamworthy, Parkstone, etc. then they should all be under one Town Council. Broadstone should be part of Poole Town Council, unless all the other areas have their own ones too.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J800	Poole Town	Until it is up and running, it is difficult to foresee changes that might be necessary in the structure of Poole Town Council	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J801	Poole Town	very good idea.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J802	Poole Town	We have elected councillors who should be looking after the interests of Poole and it's residents. Why do we need more bureaucracy?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J803	Poole Town	We need a town council for the Poole area which I feel a part of and these recommendations will help secure that goal.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J804	Poole Town	We should retain our 'dolphin' logo, it was terrible to see it go and be replaced the the dreadful BCP logo. Poole should never have been part of BCP, things have deteriorated ever since, bring back Poole Borough Council so we can take back control of our areas, needs and our people	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3

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J805	Poole Town	Will the recommendations of parish councils/councillors be heeded and actioned or is it more bureaucratic lip service?	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J806	Poole Town	Bin it	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J807	Poole Town	I think the creation of more councils to be completely counter productive and unlikely to provide better representation. Additional councils within the BCP envelope will only serve the ambitions of a tiny minority of politically active council voters. Costs of additional local government layers are to be avoided.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J808	Poole Town	The current administration is asking us to consider something for which they cannot even confirm what the cost to the resident would be. Additionally they want this 'additional tax' to be uncapped, so potentially this could increase exponentially each year. It's just another way of generating additional income as the Government limit the annual council tax increase. There is insufficient information provided to make an informed decision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J809	Poole Town	'- There has been a lack of transparency about this consultation. Most of my neighbours and friends were unaware until I alerted them. Very poor communication. Nothing direct from our elected councillors. They appear to be very politically biased rather than open to residents views. Very difficult to easily find on website. Has taken me a few attempts. I cannot see how this is representative of residents - I cannot see how the TC cannot be politically driven. No advantage as current councillors are not open to views and previous consultations/surveys results have been ignored by council -the area of Poole is too big so I can foresee some areas not benefitting to change when residents will be paying more in Council Tax. Unspecified amount or capping. - consider that BCP will shirk some responsibilities pushing in another layer of beaurocracy. Already services are not taking place, -	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J810	Poole Town	...	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J811	Poole Town	1. Maintain current arrangements and reject unnecessary change. BCP residents have only just begun adjusting to the merged authority structure since 2019. Adding parish layers now risks further fragmentation, disruption, and voter disengagement. We should be focusing on enhancing what we have, not adding to it. 2. Focus resources on services, not structure. At a time of public sector constraint, energy should be directed toward improving frontline delivery across BCP, not on establishing new bureaucratic bodies. A Town Council would bring overheads - clerks, offices, elections - that consume funds better spent on vital local needs. 3. Poole's identity is not dependent on a Town Council. Civic pride and identity can be nurtured through community groups, events, and local networks without needing a statutory body. The heritage and traditions of Poole are already safeguarded by the Charter Trustees.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J812	Poole Town	16. Abolish BCP, return to 3 separate councils Bring back the dolphin logo; it gives a much stronger sense of identity than the boring dots. Replace the (sculpture) big shiny 'knot' that looks nothing like a knot, near Asda Holes Bay, with something less harsh and so glaring one of the Mermaids Tails from the recent Julia's House Tail Trail would be more appropriate and less of a 'what on earth is that monstrosity' Consult the electorate how they want their area to look when it comes to art; types of sculptures, murals, landscaping. Step away from the old fashioned seaside resort look of painting everything bright white and blue, it's too clinical and dated. Cleaner streets, cleaner everything really! Put the 'stunning' back in to this area - use local creative people; we have an Arts University full of talent.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J813	Poole Town	A drain on public funding and no substance offered for improved services. Disgusting proposal and massive waste of resources. Secutary of state has been emailed on the fiasco.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 7
J814	Poole Town	A focus on improving existing services by BCP please	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J815	Poole Town	A full referendum should be offered. Recommendations for Poole haven't been promoted by an independant/impartial group. Local media have not made a front page. We need a full referendum ASAP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J816	Poole Town	A major thrust of the current government is to increase productivity and reduce the potential for NIMBYism. These proposals seem to risk adding another layer of overhead cost and potential for delay. It is hard to see what value they will bring to the economic development of Poole (or BCP as a whole). The old adage 'if it's not broke don't fix it' springs to mind.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J817	Poole Town	A parish that has some similarity between occupants. Don't lump us all together for the sake of ease.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J818	Poole Town	A resolution to this proposal would be to break up BCP back into individual councils, problem solved... What was the point of combining the three if you are now proposing individual town councils again.... Madness personified.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J819	Poole Town	A separate Town Council is not required	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J820	Poole Town	a waist of money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J821	Poole Town	Abandon the plan to create the twon council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J822	Poole Town	Abolish all parish councils across BCP, and certainly do not set up any new ones. Stop wasting council tax funding on additional levels of governance that is not required. What tangible value for money to they actually provide, zero. BCP has a number of problems (poor road infrastructure/congestion, roads full of pot holes, a huge homeless and drug/alcohol abuse problem, not enough public services [schools, hospitals, GPs, NHS dentists] for all the new housing estates that are being built) and BCP council what to use council tax funding which could be directed to those issues, to set up Parish Councils who would more likely be made up of old, straight, white, able bodied men, who do not reflect the diversity of the area. BCP have almost bankrupted themselves, implemented ill thought out Green policies/legislation, so we don't need more of the same.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J823	Poole Town	Adding an extra layer won't improve local democracy. Start listening to resident voices! Residents don't want parish councils in Poole - they want better management from existing councillors and BCP employees.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J824	Poole Town	All. Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional beaurocracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J825	Poole Town	also these councillor positions are meant to be voluntary with no salary ,but there are hidden costs (expenses which can cost up to £700.00 pound per annum per councillor) 42 ,thats £29,400 whos paying for this extra an oncost to my council tax . Areas of Poole Parish council if it was to go ahead should be realalistically should consist of . Poole town Parish ,your map needs to be re drawn on your map this should be cut should be cut in half to consist of Old town and Baiter wards ,Hamworthy East ward,Hamworth West and Turlin Moor ward, Long fleet and Sterte ward,Creekmoor Ward, Oak Dale ward ,Canford Heath East and Canford Heath West . This is a More realistic size ward for a parish council to manage . completley open book on costs and transparent on services. Parish Councils Historically ,were small in nature to support local villages not to pass off resources to support councils in finacial trouble. Lastly The way this survey or Consultation is not structured the best for the every day person /pensioner etc to navigate which also seems underhand as this has taken me over an hour to get through .	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J826	Poole Town	Although if this goes ahead you are stating that the increase in council tax for the first year will be relatively small you can't give any indication of what it will be in later years. I'm not in the habit of [uniting black changes?]	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J827	Poole Town	Another layer of expense... BCP can do this.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J828	Poole Town	Another level of management which is not required. Money is in short supply everywhere and this will only increase the Rates which are already too high.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J829	Poole Town	Another tier seems a step back. I thought BCP was set up to reduce duplication of costs. Also some wards have a ratio of 400 to 1, electors to councillors and some wards have a ratio of 2000 to 1.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J830	Poole Town	Another waste of money and additional cost to residents. We don't need more councillors, we need a better council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J831	Poole Town	Any increases in Council Tax should be for the benefit of current local services, not employing more and more so-called 'councillors'.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J832	Poole Town	As	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J833	Poole Town	As above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J834	Poole Town	As above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
J835	Poole Town	As above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J836	Poole Town	As above - this is an attempt at re-creating the former Borough of Poole with the significant difference that it will not have any real decision making powers. An extra cost to the residents that is unnecessary.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J837	Poole Town	As above an Independent council for Poole should be reformed outside of a remaining Bournemouth and Christchurch Council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J838	Poole Town	As above but need to emphasise that we strongly disagree with these proposals.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J839	Poole Town	As already stated above, I think the social side is well organised by the current council setup. Please keep the lovely public gardens, clean beaches and streets, and try to keep the summer festivals. Maybe make it easy for people to volunteer, I would happily help with leaf pickup on streets in my area if I had a way to dispose of the leaves.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J840	Poole Town	As per usual you will not listen to residents and will do whatever you see fit but this proposal is diabolical, it should not happen and the only residents I know who want this to go ahead are current councillors and potential new councillors if it goes ahead. This will not benefit the greater majority of residents in any way shape or form.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J841	Poole Town	BCP can't co-ordinate road repairs to prevent gridlock so sub-dividing regions is only going to reduce communication on issues.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J842	Poole Town	BCP need to maintain control of its authority and borders and not delegate out to anywhere else. The voters and residents should be able to expect a satisfactory service from BCP without adding extra layers of paperwork, confusion, slippery shoulder syndrome and bureaucratic bumbling. This is regardless of whichever party is in control at any given time. Also I have seen very little to make the public aware of this issue and am concerned people's voices will be swept aside anyway as BCP has done with other issues ie Poole Park traffic closures	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J843	Poole Town	BCP should either stay as it is or it dissolves to town councils again. Having both is ridiculous and a waste of money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J844	Poole Town	BCP unitary authority, amalgamating Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth, was supposed to improve transparency, costs and bureaucracy. Creating parish/town councils will be adding another level of unnecessary bureaucracy and cost with no tangible benefit and worse accountability. BCP has just appointed a new CEO; consideration should be given to allowing this person to attempt to improve the current running of the unitary authority before any changes are implemented. No decisions should be made before 2027 and then only following a referendum.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J845	Poole Town	Bin it now.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J846	Poole Town	Bureaucracy gone mad. Total waste of money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J847	Poole Town	Complete waste of money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J848	Poole Town	Complete waste of more of the locals money, haven't you wasted enough already, Get rid of the cycle lanes that hardly anyone uses. Disband BCP council completely and put it back how it was before...	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J849	Poole Town	Complete waste of time and energy. Focus on getting BCP functional	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J850	Poole Town	Complete waste of your time and our monely	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J851	Poole Town	Council tax payers money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH14 0

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J852	Poole Town	Creekmoor is a small community already well represented by our local councillors. Addition another layer of bureaucracy would muddy the waters further, taking more time and costing more.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J853	Poole Town	Disagree with the concept of creating an additional tier of bureaucracy for the following reasons: a) Disagree with an extra tier of Local Government having had reorganisations in 1997 and 2019. b) Extra tiers of Authority results in additional bureaucracy, duplication and cost. c) This leads to residents effectively paying twice for the same services d) Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions e) The total cost of local government can be expected to be higher in authorities with the additional tier of Town/Parish Councils f) Having sought to delay local authority provision in 1997 and 2019 within BCP localities, for economy and efficiency reasons, the logical approach is to delay not create additional layers of local authority g) There is not a strong demand for an additional tier of local authority service or need. h) I do not agree with paying extra costs of an additional tier of local authority administration in Poole when costs of local authority provision in BCP through Council Tax rises are already increasing at an above inflation level i) Creation of an additional tier of administration would create confusion and lead to higher elected member costs and higher and duplicated administrative costs	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J854	Poole Town	Disband BCP Council and revert to individual Councils for Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J855	Poole Town	Disband BCP if you can't make it work.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J856	Poole Town	DO NO IMPLIMENT THIS, no body wants it!!!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J857	Poole Town	Do not add another level of unwanted bureaucracy and financially burden the council tax payers with an unknown amount. Although there are a few areas in the town that are affluent, perhaps could even be described as rich, the majority of Poole residents could not afford this extra tax. Please consider the hardworking individuals who all contribute by paying tax to national and local levels. We do not have unlimited funds and cannot be expected to finance this absolute folly of a proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J858	Poole Town	Do not want it. Strongly against it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J859	Poole Town	Do not waste any more of the the public “your customers” money on even one more single pointless meeting on anything regarding this and simply start doing your actual jobs, providing value.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J860	Poole Town	domt want a town council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J861	Poole Town	Don;t do it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J862	Poole Town	Don't Bother!!!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J863	Poole Town	Don't do it you are all corrupt and it will end in tears.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J864	Poole Town	Don't do it!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J865	Poole Town	Don't do it. Put your efforts into sorting out the current expensive mess created by BCP.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J866	Poole Town	Drop the idea.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J867	Poole Town	Due to the arbitrary areas on the map there will always be issues near the boundaries which is why BCP was a good idea. It was also set up to save money and resources. Community groups need to be encouraged to take on roles that BCP feels it is incapable of dealing with.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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J868	Poole Town	Due to the arbitrary nature of the boundary settings there are ALWAYS going to be issues with those who are close to the [unknown]. This is why BCP is better than the old individual councils. Why change something that is working and at the same time saddle residents with further costs at a time when money is in short supply. The change SHOULD NOT increase cost at all. If there are areas that want additional features that BCP feel it can not afford then community groups should be established for that purpose so the issues can be attended to by those people and the rest of us can be left alone or join in as we see fit.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J869	Poole Town	Due to the lack of people with enough management experience willing to stand as a Parish Councillor we need to simplify local government not complicate it. This will add costs and delay decision making. When fast effective action is needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J870	Poole Town	Either scrap this proposal altogether (for Poole Town) or create a number of smaller parish councils that genuinely represent specific communities within the overall town of Poole - e.g. Bearwood, Branksome, Canford Heath, Creekmoor, Hamworthy, Merley, Oakdale, Old Town, Parkstone.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J871	Poole Town	Even though you have sent this out its not going to change anything which is why so many people wont even bother filling in this survey because they know you are just going to do what you want to do anyway.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J872	Poole Town	For BCP to start using the funding it has available to serve its residents not to pay for an additional layer of governance.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J873	Poole Town	For hundreds of years Poole was an independent town. It had its own Mayor, Sheriff and town council. It was successful and independent. Sadly, in 2019 it joined forces with Bournemouth and Christchurch to form part of BCP Council. Most local people consider that was a retrograde step. A huge majority of local people would gladly go back to three independent towns. That is entirely different to what is being described as Community Governance. Dismantle completely BCP Council and return to an independent Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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J874	Poole Town	For the record, I understand that no one is permitted to comment on the potential financial aspects of this proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J875	Poole Town	FORGET IT. As this is only a 'consultation' AKA a tick box effort, any suggestions, opinions, sensible notions will be ignored, as has already happened with these faux consultations.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J876	Poole Town	give back the £10 million you stole from us and repair our high street	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J877	Poole Town	Green space, planting etc - BCP council holds responsibility for this. We are a unitary authority joined together for efficiency. Subdividing ourselves back to three individual town parishes and smaller groups is not in our interest. Locally we have ward councillors who 'shoukd' represent our voice. If they wish to work together to firm a voice for Poole, then they can do so. This doesn't require duplication to make it happen.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH12 1
J878	Poole Town	Having read your 67 page document I fail to see any reason for these proposed changes. Are the existing 76 councillors unable to sort out allotments and skateparks?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J879	Poole Town	Hopefully the wishes expressed by residents in this consultation are listened to, unlike previous consultations where the council has totally ignored the wishes of the majority taking time to fill in the consultation!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J880	Poole Town	How about parish council for Creekmoor	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J881	Poole Town	How much is this going to cost the tax payer? Why is this needed? What benefits will there be for there new parishes?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J882	Poole Town	How much will this cost? I find it very irresponsible to put this to residents without letting us know how you are going to fund this. No other business would be able to do this, or do you have no idea? Absolutely crazy if you don't, and you shouldn't even be considering this!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J883	Poole Town	How will this proposal impact a council that is struggling financially, with turnover of staff and in completing projects.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J884	Poole Town	I accept that BCP Council needs more money, but other options would be preferable. Many residents are 'asset rich and cash poor', so finding the extra precept would be hard for them. I notice that Christchurch Town Council's precept is twice the average for the Parish Councils, and this would inevitably be the same for a Poole Town Council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J885	Poole Town	I am not in favour of Town and Parish Councils being formed on the grounds of not being provided with all information. I can't name it as my answer would not be counted, and that in itself is wrong.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J886	Poole Town	I am sure regardless of the outcome of the public consultation, BCP will continue on the route it has decided. Since BCP has been established there has been a pattern of ignoring public feeling, which is probably why BCP is not liked or respected by residents, you only have to look at local forums to see how unhappy residents are.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J887	Poole Town	I assume these councillors will be unpaid, but no doubt able to claim expenses.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J888	Poole Town	I believe it will increase costs and achieve nothing. I did ask one passing road sweeper if it would be possible to have our road swept. He kindly went out of his way and the pavement was swept for the first time in 4 years	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J889	Poole Town	I believe that we don't need to have two or even three tier local councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J890	Poole Town	I believe the creation of a council to cover the whole of the largest urban conurbation on the south coast was a good thing. The creation of additional councils to represent the areas within this conurbation will weaken the effectiveness of BCP council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J891	Poole Town	I believe the whole of Wallisdown should come under the Bournemouth Town Council, not Alderney ward.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5

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J892	Poole Town	I can not see why the remit of the Charter Trustees can not be expounded.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J893	Poole Town	I consider that there is no good reason for introducing a further layer of local government. The three councils B,C and P were amalgamated to improve efficiency and organisational structure. The introduction of an additional layer of government goes against this and represents a retrograde step. Arguably the three councils should have therefore remained as individual unitary authorities. The changes will result in the need to more elections and I suspect from bitter experience will lead to endless unproductive meetings about who does what and how. It and will not improve community cohesion but probably cause division in communities. The existing council should be devoting its time to improving services for which they have responsibility, rather than spending time and resources to setting up another layer of local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J894	Poole Town	I disagree with the continuation of current parish, community and town councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish, community or town councils in BCP. All services and democratic processes should be done through BCP Council and no Council tax precepts should be put in place.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
J895	Poole Town	I do not agree to a parish council. As far as I can see it's just another way of local council getting more money out of residents for nothing.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J896	Poole Town	I do not know whose idea it was at BCP Council to spend/waste money on a Consultation so soon after its own creation but they need to be found another role which is more useful to residents and therefore council tax payers.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J897	Poole Town	I do not see that I can make an informed decision regarding the creation of another layer of council without knowing the costs associated with it. I would not enter a contract without knowing this level of detail. It would appear a town council can set whatever precept it wishes to our council tax bill and I am unwilling to support additional (unknown costs) for a notional level of additional democracy. From experience in other areas of the country where this has been done there is little enthusiasm for people to become councillors (many seats being unopposed) so the stated aim for additional local democracy tends to not happen in practice.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J898	Poole Town	I don't agree this is a good idea and its cost will be passed on to the residents of BCP.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J899	Poole Town	I don't think we should have parish councils. I live in Merley and feel more associated with Wimborne than I do with Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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J900	Poole Town	I feel very very strongly against this proposal. If BCP is to continue on the basis that it is more beneficial than Poole Council of old, why do we need another body to carry out the functions currently required of BCP. Is BCP asserting that it is not able to manage parks etc in a manner which takes local views into account? Given the amount of work which has obviously taken place, BCP has clearly decided in favour of creating the new bodies. Past consultations have appeared to pay lip service to taking residents views into account. Unfortunately it is likely that this consultation will be no different. Surely the best way to obtain residents views on this is to hold a referendum, the results of which would be published for all to see. A referendum would surely be better publicised so that a more representative view would be generated. My husband, who is not on social media, was completely unaware of this proposal. Where are the leaflets being delivered to the door? Where are the emails from BCP to residents notifying them of the consultation? A reform with the likely costs of this proposal should not be pushed through by BCP on the quiet; this is exactly what residents fear from BCP. The most obvious way of increasing local representation and engagement with residents is to reinstate Poole Borough Council and abolish BCP. Why is this not going out to consultation?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
J901	Poole Town	I have seen nothing about the cost or the benefits.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J902	Poole Town	I have the perception that BCP Council, given the current financial mess it finds itself in, is looking for ways to create an additional funding tier to clear the debt. There are already BCP Ward Councilors and I see no reason why they can't provide the same services as is being proposed for a "Parish Council".	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J903	Poole Town	I recommend the plans be delayed until after the next election in 2027 and all decisions should be taken with a democratic vote and not just with a consultation which the council generally ignores the results of. There should not be potentially 4 layers of charges which we the public have no control over. This will massively increase cost to already struggling families so I cannot back the proposals. I have lost all trust in the council to actually listen to the people it serves.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J904	Poole Town	I see no benefit at all in separating Poole Town into parish wards which will need a huge number of volunteers and some salaried staff to give which will add more to our council tax. Parish councils also do not have a legal cap on how much they can increase the parish charge annually. In addition nationally the latest statistics show that annual salaries to the paid staff account for 74% of the tax taken.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J905	Poole Town	I see no benefit for the residents. I didn't like the creation of BCP but now you want to divide it up even smaller than the original councils	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J906	Poole Town	I think BCP should be concentrating on providing a better service etc for the residents. I do not think it is the best time to see these Parish/Town Councils. BCP needs to have more time to make a Council that befits the residents, as promised when merged.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J907	Poole Town	I think the whole idea is stupid	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J908	Poole Town	I think this has been appallingly communicated. The video only shows the changes – not how these would benefit us or what the changes would cost. The email with this survey in today was the first one I have seen sent out. Given that the deadline is 22nd June and the consultation started on 31st March why have there not been emails sent every week? I think this whole consultation shows a complete lack of regard from the counsellors to their electors. Personally, I am disgusted.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J909	Poole Town	I think under the problems of finance at the moment it should not go ahead in making another stream of councillors and staff we cannot afford we must live within our means	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5

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J910	Poole Town	I understand the ideas and the level of detail in the work but the fact is it is only trying to hide the real problem which is BCP itself	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J911	Poole Town	I was opposed to the BCP merger in the first place but we do not need BCP and then a lot of smaller councils under the same umbrella. It should be either BCP council OR parish councils, not both.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J912	Poole Town	I would like the whole idea scrapped	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J913	Poole Town	I would like to see BCP running the area as one area, possibly using this energy to create more council levels to achieving partnerships with neighbouring councils like hampshire, and somerset. There is a lack of enthusiasm in the younger generations to sustain extended levels of governance, this is a short term, short sighted scheme as a result. It is protracted enough having national and local government already. Strongly opposed	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J914	Poole Town	I would like to see BCP working for the good of it's residents before making any more changes.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J915	Poole Town	I would like to see more concentration on cutting out waste and controlling spending on dubious projects and social ambitions that are nothing to do with local government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J916	Poole Town	I would like to see no changes	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J917	Poole Town	I would like to see playing fields mowed again so they can be played on! Not more councillors.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J918	Poole Town	I would like to see the consultation process being put on hold. There should be a broader look at how to engage the public, by public meetings or a referendum.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J919	Poole Town	I would like to see this idea of yet another level of bureaucracy and yet another excuse to slow down the local government at further cost and expence.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J920	Poole Town	I would like to see those elected BCP councillors getting on with the job of listening to the local people and also getting on with the job of getting things done. We do not need any parish councillors to "muddy the waters". The introduction of Parish councillors will only go to cause more political problems than solve.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J921	Poole Town	I would like to see two or three roadworks at the time only , so that improvements would actually be appreciated as you could workers working on site	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J922	Poole Town	I would support Creekmoor having its own parish council, but not being part of such a large parish council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J923	Poole Town	Id like to see more accountability on current spending, and more charges on companies that overrun on commitment to contracted works.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J924	Poole Town	Ideally another solution should be found to the issues raised by the Poole Charter trustees. Having only relatively recently merged the Bournemouth and Poole councils to save money, reintroducing a Poole Council seems to be a retrograde step.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J925	Poole Town	If changes are necessary Poole Town should revert back to being a Town Council and not become a Parish Council. Bournemouth and Christchurch can make their own decisions.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J926	Poole Town	If i may add that if the current administration find that they cannot provide the electorate with the delivery of performance as was stated when elected then perhaps the electorate should hold a vote of no confidence.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J927	Poole Town	If it's going to be then it is ok, though I am not keen on having to vote for Councillors on two councils and it was better before the creation of BCP. It should be either BCP or Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0

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J928	Poole Town	If the current set up with the local charter is not enabling enough to be done, then hire grant and community fundraisers for each area to teach the community organisations how to get grants and funds to improve their local community. This will cost a darn sight less than creating another layer of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J929	Poole Town	If the MP's and councillors of BCP cannot do the job that we are paying them for, maybe they should resign and let someone more capable do it. We do not need more staff wanting money for nothing, as we have more than enough of that already.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 2
J930	Poole Town	If the recommendations go ahead, then both Bournemouth and Poole councils should be created.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J931	Poole Town	If this is such a good idea I suggest it's proposed as an opt in to see the uptake. Then you will see whether it's truly supported.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J932	Poole Town	If this is to continue there should be a local referendum as it is a materail change in local goverment and an extra taxation that we as residents will have to pay. This isn't democracy if you are just going to rubber stamp it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J933	Poole Town	If you are so keen on a council for Poole, let's re-establish Poole Borough Council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J934	Poole Town	IF. this proposal is adopted , I believe that all person willing to stand for election in the various wards should be politically independent. Too much poor governance is inflicted on residents through pedantic adherence to political ideology rather than considering what is best for the	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J935	Poole Town	In a time of uncertainty and change in this country with ever increasing cost of living, this additional change will be unsettling and unnecessarily costly and will likely cause more animosity towards the existing council (something that is being increasingly noticed online due to the council not considering the residents wishes). This change should be put to a vote across all residents, with formal notification to all residents, noting that most are not aware of it. Not everyone follows what the council do.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J936	Poole Town	In general I believe that the formation of additional local councils over and above those already established is a retrograde step that will involve even more money in respect of local precepts that in the current economic is not needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J937	Poole Town	In regards to services being transferred hypothetically from BCP to a parish council will BCP stay with equipment be given to new volunteer staff on the parish council. Will the same things from BCP transferred to wards equally or will some wards have more than others this is unclear. People didn't want BCP to start with scrap Poole from BCP but don't mess people around. No one [unkonwn] other it is not essential to have a parish council it is not a legal requirement to review this to start do a referendum	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J938	Poole Town	Increasing the levels of administration and associated cost is hard to justify.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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J939	Poole Town	Instead of spending the money for extra Counsellor's offices staff, I'd rather see the money reinvested into our town. Poole unfortunately has become a dump over the last few years. Thanks too you guys at Bcp. I would like to see more investment to encourage Holiday people to spend money in our local town and I'd like the air festival to come back. This brings vital money for local businesses which is desperately needed. Unfortunately, Bcp have got a war on motorists which is hurting the local economy and local holiday makers	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J940	Poole Town	Instead of wasting time on this why not sort out the things that need addressing. Litter, green space and main road tidiness to welcome people to the town. Visitors to Bournemouth has dropped.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J941	Poole Town	Is voting going to be the usual "first past the post", or will there be some form of PR? Will it just be a case of the usual political parties, with all the resources at their disposal, creating the "same old" talking shop? How will independent voices be represented in the proposed set-up? Merley seems to come out very poorly in these proposals, with low councillor representation linking it to areas in Poole it has little or no connection with. Why do Broadstone and Redhill/Northbourne get special treatment with their own councils? I suggest that Merley (like Broadstone) has its own council with a larger councillor representation, especially with the housing growth that is currently happening in that area without any improvements in infrastructure. Merley needs a strong, clear, local voice, but I don't see that reflected in these proposals. Rather the opposite.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J942	Poole Town	It covers too many areas.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3

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J943	Poole Town	It is my understanding that BCP was initiated to simplify local government and reduce costs in the three areas - so why do we need an extra layer of governance which will inevitably come with its own added bureaucracy and expense.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J944	Poole Town	It is wrong not to include the likely cost as part of the review. It would add a significant financial burden to already hard pressed Council Taxpayers,	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J945	Poole Town	It just sounds like it is going to cost more money!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J946	Poole Town	It probably doesn't matter - if recent consultations are anything to go by you won't listen anyway and will do whatever you want as usual	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J947	Poole Town	it should not happen more councillors more money and whose money the rate payers	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J948	Poole Town	It will be another talking shop at tax payers expense.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J949	Poole Town	It will increase council costs which will be paid by residents	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J950	Poole Town	It would be useful for BCP to improve current services rather than creating new councils which will then be responsible for who knows what? How will services be shared? The current mess in Poole with roadworks (Ringwood Rd cycle lane) which seems to have taken precedence away from other road surface fixes has been fairly shambolic so far. Is having more layers going to exacerbate other services. It would be nice for the council to listen to residents rather than seem to give lip service. Thanks	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
J951	Poole Town	It would make much more sense to amalgamate the councils to create one BCP council with the budget to cope with major projects across the area. These can be prioritised and much more easily delivered by having one, central organisation that carries out co-ordinated activities across the whole rather than a piece-meal "divide and conquer" approach.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J952	Poole Town	It's an unnecessary cost	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J953	Poole Town	It's another layer of bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J954	Poole Town	It's confusing enough for the general public. Lets keep it simple and not create another public body.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7

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J955	Poole Town	It's a BIG NO from me!!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
J956	Poole Town	It's a gravy train.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J957	Poole Town	It's full of lies as usual, we get promised the warth but are constantly kicked in the face by the council. Not one councillor has been able yo tell residents just how much extra this will cost. What happened to openness and transparency?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J958	Poole Town	Just get existing councillors to do the job they were elected to do	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J959	Poole Town	Just leave things as they are.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J960	Poole Town	Just more layer(s) of bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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J961	Poole Town	Keep things as they are and don't create a scapegoating body just because you cannot or refuse to do the job you are elected and paid to do. If I was an incompetent or ineffective local councillor I would be delighted that another body to distract from short comings was being created.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
J962	Poole Town	Keep to BCP council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
J963	Poole Town	Leave BCP as it is now and do not form a Poole Town Council for reasons set out in 15.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J964	Poole Town	Leave it alone. Improve the performance of the current BCP council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J965	Poole Town	Leave it as it is	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH14 0
J966	Poole Town	Leave it as it is	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J967	Poole Town	Leave things as they are as despite the hollow words from BCP council, this is clearly going to end up costing residents money that simply cannot be afforded in a cost of living crisis. If the current incumbents are unable to work within the constraints as they currently exist, then they should resign en masse and make way for competent people who can. This is nothing but a transparent vehicle to screw the local residents. You say that there will not be any additional cost, but that is a blatant lie. You will bring in a precept to begin with and that will go up and up and up year on year , totally unchecked and the people of the BCP region will be the ones to pay for it. It's unacceptable that you would do something like this without a referendum (which you clearly won't as you already know what the outcome would be and you don't like listening to people who disagree with you). BCP Council is a repugnant organisation, badly run by incompetent councillors with no honesty, integrity or decency. You are an embarrassment to the local people and you should be totally and utterly ashamed of yourselves (but I doubt you have the decency to feel that way either). Shame on you all.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J968	Poole Town	Local residents will no doubt be ignored. Why don't you hold a local referendum? Many people will be completely unaware of your intentions.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 8
J969	Poole Town	Merging BCP was and still is an absolute farce. Politicians are only interested in lining their own pockets and pushing their own agendas. They're not interested in listening to voters. This is pure greed at work.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J970	Poole Town	More clear and open information provided to every household with a full breakdown of costs.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J971	Poole Town	More jobs for the boys. Abandon the proposal and unlike the massive objections to closing Poole Park to traffic please respect Residents wishes, be honest and respectful this time and listen and don't go ahead regardless.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8

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J972	Poole Town	Most people in these areas of BCP do not want the additional costs of another layer of unnecessary local government. A BCP Unitary Authority with low costs is the preferred option.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J973	Poole Town	My suggestion is that you do not implement the draft proposals as they currently stand.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J974	Poole Town	My suggestion, if there is to be a Poole Town Council, is to automatically elect the "Poole" BCP councillors to the town council so they have dual responsibility. This would save cost, improve efficiency and keep clear lines of accountability. Members of the public would then still have a simple, understandable point of contact for local issues as well as BCP-wide issues.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J975	Poole Town	N/A	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J976	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J977	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J978	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J979	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J980	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J981	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J982	Poole Town	no benefit to me personally	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J983	Poole Town	No need for Parish Council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5

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J984	Poole Town	No one will do it for free so forget this idea	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J985	Poole Town	No.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J986	Poole Town	None	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J987	Poole Town	None	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J988	Poole Town	Not interested. Bin it off, unless you want to dissolve BCP council completely and give us Poole Borough Council back. I'm only paying for 1 council, not 2.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J989	Poole Town	Not really saying what we are paying for and how it works	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J990	Poole Town	Parish Councillors are totally unnecessary & added expense with existing BCP councillors in place who should be more proactive in their activities in local organisation & not reactive.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J991	Poole Town	People are struggling enough as it is	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J992	Poole Town	Perhaps each councillor should have unpaid sub committee to help the councillor in question.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J993	Poole Town	Perhaps volunteer sub committee would be able to spread the load for the councillor in question	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J994	Poole Town	Please don't bother, concentrate on running the combined council that you thought was a good idea not that long ago	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J995	Poole Town	Please don't do this	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J996	Poole Town	Please get rid of the plan	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J997	Poole Town	Please listen to the residents	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J998	Poole Town	Please put our taxes to better use	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J999	Poole Town	Please put your efforts into continuing to improve the existing council and services for residents, rather than making unnecessary changes.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J1000	Poole Town	Please scrap the whole proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1001	Poole Town	Please stop this proposal ASAP. it is not a good use of Limited funds.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7

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J1002	Poole Town	Poole is a town - so should have a town council. Town councillors should represent all the wards within the borough of Poole. Broadstone should be part of the town council. There is no need for parishes within Poole. Poole needs to retain a mayor and sheriff - both require a base to receive guests, work and share heritage assets and regalia.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1003	Poole Town	Poole is already represented therefore no reason to change	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J1004	Poole Town	Poole needs its civic centre back. Whether Poole gets its own town council or BCP gets split back up and the historic Borough of Poole is re-instated, any council making decisions for Poole will need council chambers and we already have a purpose built building for that very purpose. Save the Poole civic centre.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1005	Poole Town	Poole 'Parish Council' just feels like a fudge. The area needs careful and considered management and I'd rather see focused efforts by BCP to provide strong direction, adding 40+ councillors all with their own micro agenda, may not enable progress.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
J1006	Poole Town	Poole town as, as separate town, with its own town council will work as it used to, and actually benefit the town without having to consider Bournemouth or Christchurch, and the monies obtained through a potentially reduced council tax can be better used. Also, all current councillors will need to stand for re-election, as it has been noted some of the current ones have their own agendas and are not benefitting Poole.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1007	Poole Town	Poole town council should never have been disbanded in the first place. So if it now needs to be reformed, then BCP should be abolished.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J1008	Poole Town	Poole Town covers a large area and unless you live in Canford Heath you don't understand how the heathland comes with unique needs. Protection of important habitats and fires. The heathland is a magnet for inconsiderate people. How would the needs of residents in Canford Heath be heard as a minority in such a large Poole Town council? There would be no advantage in having another layer of councillors.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J1009	Poole Town	Poole Town, including Broadstone, to separate totally from BCP Council, the merger exercise has failed it's residents in almost every respect. Borough of Poole Council wasn't perfect but was considerably better than the current Bournemouth-centric operation.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1010	Poole Town	Rather than create Poole Town, the whole of Poole should be transferred into Dorset Council. This would greatly reduce costs for residents by eliminating duplication in infrastructure and operations, increase efficiency and enable local residents to benefit from value-adding services already provided by Dorset Council, e.g. food waste collection.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1011	Poole Town	Rather than introduce this additional 'level of democracy', is there no way there could be a change to the Charters Trustees Constitution if it is the intention to give 'local community involvement' ? BCP needs more money, but there must be a better way of doing this. It is clear that there was not an overwhelming appetite for a Poole Town Council - of the 112, 662 electorate within Poole, there were only 29 responses from Poole; and of the 12 submissions in favour of a Poole Town Council, only 4 came from Poole residents, so not a ringing endorsement ! There will also need to be boundary changes to polling districts TB1,4,5,6 & WB4), which is not insignificant.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J1012	Poole Town	Rather than spending considerable time and officer resources on this proposal concentrate on the core functions of the local authority and try to get that right. Town councils are not the solution.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1013	Poole Town	Re: Poole Town itself, just two cllrs.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J1014	Poole Town	Rebanding of BCP staff to reflect reduction in responsibilities. Reduction in BCP Council tax to reflect reduction in responsibilities	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1015	Poole Town	Recently I have seen cases where local and parish councillors have not been kept informed of decisions.This makes me believe that the current systems need to be overhauled before introducing new parishes and councillors. The current level of powers proposed would in my opinion make the new councillors paper tigers. I see responsibility without power.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1016	Poole Town	Scrap the idea and stop wasting time and money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J1017	Poole Town	Scrap the whole idea	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1018	Poole Town	Scrap the whole this and run it as it should be run as promised when taken over	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J1019	Poole Town	Scrap them	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

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J1020	Poole Town	See above.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 0
J1021	Poole Town	Shape up or ship out !! Don't employ more idiots to do the job you can't	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1022	Poole Town	Simply don't do. Waste of time and money. You went to bcp to be more efficient and now going back. Keep it as is and try to save money. So much water.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J1023	Poole Town	Stop this madness. We do not need it. We do not want to pay for it.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1024	Poole Town	Stop this nonsense.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1025	Poole Town	STOP WASTING OUR MONEY	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J1026	Poole Town	stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1027	Poole Town	Stop wasting time and money on bureaucracy such as this and get on with the jobs you are elected to do. The political nature of BCP since 2019 and it's impact on residents has been profoundly negative. My suggestion is that you retire every single legacy BCP Councillor pre 2019 and start again.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J1028	Poole Town	That they are not aligned with the policy of the Government.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J1029	Poole Town	The best option in my opinion would be to leave BCP and become part of Poole Council as before.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1030	Poole Town	The current administration is asking us to consider something for which they cannot even confirm what the cost to the resident would be. Additionally they want this 'additional tax' to be uncapped, so potentially this could increase exponentially each year. It's just another way of generating additional income as the Government limit the annual council tax increase. There is insufficient information provided to make an informed decision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1031	Poole Town	The current BCP council has handled these responsibilities for decades, there should be no reason for this to change. In addition, 42 officers is extremely high for the responsibilities listed in the proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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J1032	Poole Town	The draft recommendation fail to explain any benefit whatsoever to the residents, workers or visitors to the area, just duplication and additional bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1033	Poole Town	The establishment of town councils with arbitrary boundaries would result in a lot of meetings/ negotiations between neighbouring town councils. If having one BCP council was considered more efficient and less parochial, we should stick with that.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1034	Poole Town	The extra layer of governance is not required unless it is just to shift responsibilities, in which case the monies collected in council tax should also be directed through the correct channels, so the local wards can carry out the needed repairs etc and follow through on any works as a standard practice, carrying out regular meetings with constituents gaining feedback and giving directional proposals for up and coming events and proposals.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1035	Poole Town	The fear has always been that Poole would lose its identity within BCP. Yet any reorganisation as outlined is in my opinion an unnecessary exercise.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J1036	Poole Town	The ideal is lunacy and I can't see how it would benefit the communities more than if we went back to three separate councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1037	Poole Town	The need for a mid level council is not required in BCP, simply because the incompetent BCP that is in place will push the blame out to the Parish council. We do not need yet another voice to run local area, creating more disinformation and more to the point the burden of extra costs to "rule" and provide no benefit.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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J1038	Poole Town	The only change to it that I would like to see, is that it doesn't happen and that Poole extracts itself from BCP and reverts to Poole Council run by the people of, and for Poole, and based in the existing building where it was previously.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1039	Poole Town	The plans are utter rubbish and should never have got further than the drawing board. Unnecessary time and resource is being put into this.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1040	Poole Town	The policies of the previous Conservative government in cutting services, plus the amalgamation of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole-it's cost, inefficiency, loss of local authority expertise and changing priorities- have all been based on cost cutting rather than providing a local public service. I see no sense in progressing to a series of Town Councils that will further weaken the decision making process and further demotivate staff, members and community organisations struggling to survive.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J1041	Poole Town	The proposal serves no significant benefits for local people who have not long had a big change when they amalgamated into bcp	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J1042	Poole Town	The proposed area is far too large and is not representative of each of the individual wards. It will be far too focused on the centre of Poole and the outer wards will be neglected.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1043	Poole Town	The proposed Poole Town Council is just too large. It would be much better to parish at ward level or a parish of several (not seventeen!) wards that have similar characteristics and populations thereby creating community cohesion. I find it very 'convenient' that Broadstone gets to be parished out of all of Poole when we just happen to have a Lib Dem ex-BCP leader and now MP there. Broadstone never wanted to part of Poole, they wanted to stay Dorset, and now their wish has been granted!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J1044	Poole Town	The residents of the area cannot afford the additional cost this would bring.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1045	Poole Town	The return to a basic, separate Town Council , having a small, qualified and experienced team of Councillors, consulting with the Mayor, whilst Heads of Department, managing the various Services ie, City Engineer, Electrical Entineer, Water Engineer Safety & Security, Health and Education, Waste Management etc.,would eliminate the huge and expensive bureaucracy, provide timeous and efficient service provision and address relevant local issues. Furthermore, this provides a 'hands on' and quickly ractive response. Tripling the governance is not effective or efficient.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J1046	Poole Town	The things that a town council would do should be done by BCP. NO TO A TOWN COUNCIL	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1047	Poole Town	The time and cost wasted would be pushed on to the already stretched public.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
J1048	Poole Town	The way this is worded suggests the decision has already been made.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
J1049	Poole Town	the way this survey is written is as if the proposal is a foregone conclusion, i wonder if i am wasting my time? Your cost forecasts are always wrong, the eventual cost of this are likely to be much more.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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J1050	Poole Town	The whole CGR is a waste of money that BCP council do not have and would have been better spent filling pot holes or something else. This is just another cash grab by the council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1051	Poole Town	The whole idea is a waste of residents money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
J1052	Poole Town	There are considerable differences in the socio economic status of the various wards within Poole. What is important to the residents of Canford Cliffs will be very different to what is important to residents of Turlin Moor. The costs that residents of these two example wards can absorb without causing undue hardship are also likely to be very different. BCP council has always favoured Bournemouth and Christchurch over Poole. Treating Poole and Bournemouth so completely differently highlights this very succinctly. The proposals for some areas of Bournemouth would give them meaningful, small parish councils where the councillors would hopefully be able to take the unique characteristics and requirements of their very specific areas to heart and make a difference to their communities. The proposals for Poole would pit the different wards against each other and all of the residents of all of the wards of Poole would suffer. We are already served incredibly badly by BCP council, this proposal would just add another layer of bureaucracy with 42 more councillors all striving to make things better for their individual wards but facing insurmountable challenges as the individual wards wants/needs/desires will differ so widely. I would like to see these plans scrapped completely and for BCP council to do the job that I pay them £2000 per year to do. They have an obligation to provide council services, I have an obligation to pay my council tax to enable them to do so. BCP should fulfil their obligation as I fulfil mine.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J1053	Poole Town	There has been no detail given for the specific purposes of these new councils, what their areas of responsibility will be or how much they will cost. Our council tax is already high and the current council's spending priorities are often questionable, as is the efficiency with which it run. Once BCP's house is fully in order, the area will see a benefit without the need for more councillors. Nobody has been honest with the electorate about the ongoing costs of the new town council. There have been no guaranteed benefits of having a town council. These omissions alone, without considering all the subterfuge surrounding this process, are enough to cause alarm, therefore I absolutely stand against this proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1054	Poole Town	There is enough bureaucracy another council will confuse and slow up the processes	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1055	Poole Town	There is no estimate of the reduction in Council Tax that BCP would raise as a result of passing limited duties to a Parish Council. Duties of a parish council are presumably being carried out by BCP at present and should therefore be capable of being costed. It seems that all the change would achieve is another layer of local government. BCP was created to reduce costs and improve services through efficiency. It has failed at both, there is nothing in the proposal to suggest that creation of Parish councils will rectify the situation.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 2
J1056	Poole Town	There is no explanation which I can see for this: '4.3 For avoidance of doubt, it is not possible to abolish the Charter Trustees and to have BCP Council as a single-tier of local authority only'.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J1057	Poole Town	There is no logical reason for the plan, All the responsibilities should be done by BCP. If this is beyond the capability if BCP, then BCP should be disbanded.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J1058	Poole Town	There is no need for any of the new parishes (just more red tape and cost). Residents of Poole lost its identity when BCP was formed	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J1059	Poole Town	There is no need for this, these councillors will not bring any benefit, it will just lead to co fusion over where responsibilities lie and allow for sloping shoulders syndrome if something needs fixing	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J1060	Poole Town	There is no perceivable benefit from any of the plans outlined, BCP should be ashamed if they go ahead with this without a full referendum.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J1061	Poole Town	There is no value in this proposal, only costs and increased administrative overhead. Best would be to dissolve BCP.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
J1062	Poole Town	There is nothing that says what they can or will do or cost so this breaches the law e.g. Gunner principles for public consultations.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1063	Poole Town	There should be no changes apart from the present incumbent being voted out.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2

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J1064	Poole Town	These draft recommendations will add confusion as to the responsibilities of each council (be it BCP, Parish, or Town council, etc.) and I can envisage the electorate being fobbed off and passed around between councils and departments as to whose responsibility it is to deal with the issue.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
J1065	Poole Town	These plans will add confusion over which council does which job, please keep it simple. BCP should improve their own services rather than creating new Councils to do their job for them.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1066	Poole Town	They are a fundamentally flawed and costly idea. The fact you intend to ignore complaints about costs to households exemplifies how out of touch you are.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1067	Poole Town	They're not 'draft' recommendations, they're 'daft' recommendations. No doubt emanating from a councillor!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
J1068	Poole Town	This appears to be yet another way councils can tax residents and is unacceptable that these costs are not transparent nor is there a cap on future increases. 100% disgraceful	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1069	Poole Town	This is a shambles of a consultation no really detail and no costings no real idea how this will work 1 Town clerk I hear for 70k a year working from home this is mad u need lots of staff just to run bcp.also poole civic.center needs to be reopened its a bug part of Poole also no idea where are poole sheriff and mayor have a office poole has been sold down the river bring back BOP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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J1070	Poole Town	This is absolutely ridiculous, listen to the people and i am sure they will say the same, stop all this ridiculous cycle lanes and wasting money and try and run our town properly, just not out of our pockets	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1071	Poole Town	This is an unnecessary layer of bureaucracy which will not improve the lives of its residents and will only cost them more money for a not real gain	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1072	Poole Town	This is not a well developed plan; no details on what the new parishes will provide locals and at what cost. It is merely expanding the councils' ability to extract further taxes from its electorate without any commitment to change. I resoundly disagree with this proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
J1073	Poole Town	This is not required nor wanted by the majority, should be left until 2027 when voters can decide through the ballot box, not decision that should be made by Councillors.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J1074	Poole Town	This is not something we voted for or want. It will just add additional cost, process to all decision-making bringing no little value	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J1075	Poole Town	This is short sighted proposal chosen by a chosen council, a full referendum should be offered to all, it has not been fully promoted by any fully independent and impartial group local media has not made a front page [unknown]. If any fiscal cross-over of posts servers will that reflect in future tax	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J1076	Poole Town	This is totally unnecessary and will be a costly waste of time. Why can't BCP do the job properly.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1077	Poole Town	THIS IS YET MORE ORGANISATION WOTHOUT THE COMMUNITYS CONSENT	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J1078	Poole Town	This level of hange is neither wanted nor needed.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1079	Poole Town	This needs to be stopped.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1080	Poole Town	This proposal seems to be already decided by the council and rather than a consultation which will be ignored the electorate should be granted a referendum	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1081	Poole Town	This survey and the information contained within indicatessa string bias indicating the inevitability of the formation of these new councils with little regard to the impact on residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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J1082	Poole Town	Thought that when we joined BCP it was to reduce costs and improve services. How does 42 new councillors save money with no new services?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1083	Poole Town	Throw this whole proposal out the door, focus on fixing our towns first, and stop lining your own pockets	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J1084	Poole Town	To go back to having the original 3 Councils, since they have merged we have been totally let down in the Poole area, major shake up of staff/ management as it is total incompetence to have allowed the council to have got into its current state.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1085	Poole Town	total rubbish! and unnecessary	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1086	Poole Town	Totally oppose all areas, by adding further levels of Government	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J1087	Poole Town	Totally unnecessary. Please publish the cost so far to the rate payer for the drafting of these proposals, the running of the websites, the cost to collating all this information and where this money has been drawn from. In particular which services have had money with held/withdrawn to pay for this draft proposals. Also how many civil servants have been used to fullfill these proposals and what their role would and should normally be.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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J1088	Poole Town	unnecessary unwanted vanity project	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH15 2
J1089	Poole Town	Upcoming changes of community governance presents the largest opportunity in a generation to make BCP Council more efficient by having authority at a conurbation level and abolish the need for another layer of governance at parish level. A reconciliation of the whole BCP administrative area should be made, adjusting ward boundaries as needed. Ward Cllrs then have autonomy and delegation to operate under an overall Cabinet decision making body that does not rely on wasteful parish groups / committees.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J1090	Poole Town	Use existing Poole/ward councillors in sum committees IF local issues are brought to them by constituents. Make BCP function, not add another layer of government. Local elections are notorious for low turn outs. You representative [unknown] they me? avoid duplication.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J1091	Poole Town	Waste of Money, all work should be covered under by BCP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
J1092	Poole Town	Waste of time and tax payers money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J1093	Poole Town	We are supposed to be a BCP community but by separating us by parish councils it will destroy the community feel	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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J1094	Poole Town	We do not need a town parish council when BCP was created to save money etc in recent years. A town & parish council should be a smaller area like Upton & Lytchett are. The whole of Poole is too big to be 1 whole parish council. There are too many wards within it. I do not want to pay any more council tax to pay for another town council office or elected councillors. Should this go ahead, I do not think BCP councillors should be allowed to stand within the town council as well.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
J1095	Poole Town	We have already seen an attempt by the Poole People Party to break up the Registration team at the Guildhall in order to create a Mayors Parlour in the building, just to have one 'the same size as Bournemouth's'. This is totally impractical and would ruin a highly successful service that generates income for the Council. There is no need for this to happen, the Mayor of Poole can easily use Upton House which is already ready for this type of use.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
J1096	Poole Town	What is the parish council actually going to do for residents of Poole?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J1097	Poole Town	What is the point of establishing another layer of bureaucracy? The proposal will introduce confusion as to who is responsible for what, making it more difficult for residents to report problems to BCP or whoever. We need consolidation, and the economies of scale that brings, not fragmentation. We need a simple, single point of contact for all Council related matters, not more opportunity to be passed from pillar to post trying to identify the responsible party. It's bad enough as it is trying to navigate the council web. If this proposal goes ahead will there be a single point of contact for both Council and Parish Council? Will there be any need for increased backroom support, i.e. HR, Payroll etc as a consequence of the proposed changes? Will there ever be a need for 'local' offices for each new Parish councils? What might these cost? We know that power corrupts and what will likely happen is that those elected to the Parish Council will look to expand their remit by picking up more and more discretionary responsibilities/activity and then demanding a bigger and bigger budget/precept to fund it. I would rather that BCP Council got its act together and got some work done. How long has the fence been around the damaged pillar supporting the eagle or whatever it is at the Kingland Road entrance to Poole Park? How long have the entry scanners and gates been out of order at the Dolphin Leisure Centre? The list goes on. Fix what you've already got rather than wasting time and scarce resources planning and making unnecessary administrative changes.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1098	Poole Town	When I lived in Upton, there was no benefit to us directly as residents by having a town council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J1099	Poole Town	Why bother BCP hasn't been around long enough to see the need for change and confusion for the confused residents of BCP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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J1100	Poole Town	why does this have to be done another waste of space and a costly exercise you are reverting back to as it was poole borough council the whole idea should be consigned to the bin	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
J1101	Poole Town	Why have another level of local government, with associated costs, when within the current set up all of this could & should be done already. It seems like a backdoor way to increase costs for residents as the Ctax annual rise is limited & it looks like there is no upper limit on annual town council rises - hardly seems fair or equitable.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
J1102	Poole Town	Why is Merley taken in to Poole when Broadstone has a separate parish?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
J1103	Poole Town	Will we see a reduction in our council tax we pay BCP How much is this all going to cost How many extra councillors will we be paying for. Can't believe services will be any better	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
J1104	Poole Town	without costings it is unfair to ask the residents to vote in a particular way.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1105	Poole Town	Work smarter with what you have already changed. Stop changing for change sake. Working as one larger council is the best way forward with ever merging districts.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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J1106	Poole Town	Yes stop wasting money. Concentrate on making the existing local authority work for us the residence. This is yet another waste of money we need to stop this now.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
J1107	Poole Town	Yes, don't do it	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
J1108	Poole Town	Yes, this idea should be scrapped. We do not need this. We already have elected local councillors representing our communities.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J1109	Poole Town	Yes. If you get the result you seek, it looks like, according to paragraphs 8.6 - 8.7, that Bournemouth Town Council, having failed to enter Submissions regarding the proposals, would still be bound to Poole. Bournemouth Council is a parasite feeding off the successes of Poole and Christchurch.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1110	Poole Town	You won't listen.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
J1111	Poole Town	No	Don't know/not sure	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1112	Poole Town	BCP should carry out their responsibilities. This appears to be a means to offload areas of responsibility to town or parish councils. More layers of bureaucracy totally uncoded.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1113	Poole Town	I think that the consultation closure date should be delayed pending the proposal being much more widely advertised, perhaps through local TV or mail shot so that a larger proportion of the communities that would be affected by the change have the opportunity to complete this survey	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1114	Poole Town	I'm not necessarily against the idea of a Poole Town Council, but I feel more could be gained in splitting down the ward sizes and just having more BCP Councillors. When you've got Ashley Road and Lilliput in the same ward, more councillors isn't really the solution - we need people local to the area to walk the streets and redraw a lot of this into smaller areas. A town council could be this smaller level, but the way this looks it wouldn't make the average resident feel better represented.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
J1115	Poole Town	no comments other than it appears another reason to add to the taxation bill.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
J1116	Poole Town	On first hearing that town councils / boroughs in Poole were proposed, I viewed this as a positive step. I naively thought that BCP was intending to revert to the 3 separate councils. I did not realise that the plans would involve keeping BCP, but with extra layer of bureaucracy. At a time when financial resources are already stretched to the limit, I feel this would be an unnecessary expense.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
J1117	Poole Town	See my answer to Q15.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1118	Poole Town	There is not enough information on eligibility to stand as a member of the town council. Nor is there sufficient information to say whether there is a need for a Town Council as most of its potential functions are discretionary: we don't know what this body is to do. It could simply be allotments, or it may have anything up to wide range of functions requiring staff, budget allocation, precept. We just do know. Therefore we do not know what the role of the town council, nor town councillors, would actually be. Nor have you put this matter as part of the consultation! So we are being consulted upon something which we don't know what it will do. How can that ever be effective consultation?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
J1119	Poole Town	Would the election of councillors be a first past the post or proportional representation?	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living in proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
J1120	Poole Town	Create it but half the number of councillors	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
J1121	Poole Town	f) old town and Baiter renamed to 'Old Town' h) due to likely future growth, may be more appropriate to assign 3 councillors for Old Town	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1122	Poole Town	I think there are potentially too many councillors proposed.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1123	Poole Town	I totally disagreed with the formation of the BCP unitary Council. Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth should have stayed as individuate Councils	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1124	Poole Town	I would like to see improvements to Poole town centre	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
J1125	Poole Town	Impressed by the huge support for this in the initial stage of the consultation - including from the Poole Quays Forum - and, on a separate note, one of the benefits of a Poole Town Council is that it would permanently efface the Poole Charter Trust, which is an anachronism.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 2
J1126	Poole Town	Include Broadstone. As the Town of Poole it will restore some of the losses that occurred when the BCP Council was established.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J1127	Poole Town	It would be nice to have Poole's identity back.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1128	Poole Town	May need some area committees to reflect the size of the town council, and get super local.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3
J1129	Poole Town	No.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1130	Poole Town	None	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1131	Poole Town	Not at this stage	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J1132	Poole Town	Nothings thanks	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1133	Poole Town	Poole has a genuine opportunity to establish a forward-thinking, community-focused Town Council. However, quantity should not be mistaken for quality. A smaller, skilled, and well-supported group of councillors is far more likely to succeed than a larger, fragmented one - Weymouth Town Council has 24 Councillors. BCP Council should consider: Providing external governance support (e.g. LGA or SLCC mentoring) during the setup phase Ensuring committee structures are lean, clearly defined, and manageable from day one This new body must succeed not only in structure but in culture. That starts with setting a size and tone that encourages collaboration, not gridlock.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2
J1134	Poole Town	Should never have formed a unitary council (BCP) with Christchurch and Bournemouth. The original 3-Councils worked perfectly well for the residents.	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1135	Poole Town	there are too many councilllors half the number of councillor will save costs for expenses, elections and by eleciotns and be easier to fill vacancies	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
J1136	Poole Town	We need to reverse the unwanted merger with Bournemouth.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J1137	Poole Town	Broadstone is omitted from the list of its Wards. It is not clear what would happen to Broadstone if the formation of Poole Town Concil is approved. We were part of the old Poole Council area. Is our only choice between a Broadstone Council or no Town Council at all, unlike - as far as I can see - the rest of the areas covered by the old Poole Council?	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1138	Poole Town	Complete waste of time & money. Local councillors/council and mp should already be addressing issues. We do not need any more people who will make no difference.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1139	Poole Town	Council tax should be reduced and services improved	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
J1140	Poole Town	Cut down on any further very expensive and intrusive cycle lanes. The expense cannot be warranted for the amount of one and funding could be [unknown] to other council budget eg SEND	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1141	Poole Town	Do better with the old structure	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1142	Poole Town	Do not need	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
J1143	Poole Town	Don't do it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
J1144	Poole Town	Give us back three independent town councils if you want to subdivide.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH17 7
J1145	Poole Town	Happy with current structure.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1146	Poole Town	I am confused as to why it has been put forward for Broadstone to become it's own separate council rather than be included with the rest of the areas in Poole? Again, no real explanation given around this other than a brief comment stating that the Broadstone area apparently demonstrates a strong community base already. Perhaps if they were part of the wider Poole Town Council proposal they could share this knowledge and enthusiasm more widely and improve things for everyone else too. Surely that is partly the point of this exercise so it seems somewhat shortsighted to isolate them?	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1147	Poole Town	I am opposed to the introduction of Parish Councils in principle. Parish Councils will exacerbate the older unbearable inequality in the UK and in the BCP conurbation.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4
J1148	Poole Town	If you do go ahead they all need to be a similar size. This is just replacing the old poole council. A total waste of time.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
J1149	Poole Town	It better to stay as a charter of trusteres. Local councilors could be setup informally under same current system under BCP. All for ward areas engagemet but this is not the best way to do this	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1150	Poole Town	It's useless trying to say anything as no one listens. I work for the NHS there is no parking - same as in most towns, and so I move my car every two hours. The town centre is a disgrace. The bus station is intimidating and violent crimes occur. Poole is not a pleasant place to be	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
J1151	Poole Town	Less bureaucracy and transparency is required from BCP with more action from those already elected, not more	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
J1152	Poole Town	Listen to your residents and their wishes!! The majority of residents don't want parish councils. It may be suitable for villages that are widely spread but not a city/large town	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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J1153	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
J1154	Poole Town	No	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
J1155	Poole Town	No. I am disgusted by the way Poole has been overlooked by BCP in favour of promoting Bournemouth which is also a disgrace.	Disagree	Respondent from outside BCP	respondent living outside proposal area	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
J1156	Poole Town	Once the government has completed it's latest round of local government reorganisation then this should be revisited particularly as we do not know whether the national government as part of the efficiency reorganisation my abolish them nationally	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
J1157	Poole Town	One Council (BCP) is enough.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
J1158	Poole Town	Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4

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J1159	Poole Town	People are trying to circumvent the elected authority to suit their own politics	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
J1160	Poole Town	Please listen to your residents! Focus on making BCP work!!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
J1161	Poole Town	Strongly disagree against any and all town and/or parish councils. If the central Local Authroity cannot function in its current format, then you must disband BCP and hand responsibility back to the separate localities. We are facing a cost of living crisis, and forcing more cost onto the rate payer, especially at a time where BCP has swindled and wasted millions, is a recipe for disaster. I will personally see that if this is forced through that you will see similar to the Poll Tax. Do not do this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
J1162	Poole Town	The population is too large for One Parish and could have been sub-divided. While it will be Poole Town Council - the area of the Town is still remote for some of the Wards. In fact, they have their own centres of identity. Quite suitable for Parishes of their own. But this takes work and there is a political rush to complete this makeshift arrangement.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1163	Poole Town	These proposals hack off the "nice areas" and leave the less affluent/ less beautiful areas all lumped together. It feels like I am being "partitioned"!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
J1164	Poole Town	This makes sense for Poole town centre but not for the wider conurbation.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1165	Poole Town	This whole thing is wrong! I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost. The timing of this consultation is so wrong costing in excess of £100k when money could have been better spent. I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys' . . . Or should I say girls in this instance! This survey and completing it is so very onerous. That too is disgusting and it's obviously relying on people to not bother giving their views as it's too difficult	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1166	Poole Town	Too big, too many councillors, too much to do. An expansion of jobs for the boys or girls. Poole should not have merged with Bournemouth and this was an undemocratic act. In times past this would have provoked an actual riot by residents of both towns.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
J1167	Poole Town	Town councils have very limited powers, therefore the return on investment in terms of actual services delivered under a Town Council would be minimal. It would be far more cost effective for BCP to improve their own services. I am totally against the above proposal.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
J1168	Poole Town	We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes! They should control their funds instead of going into huge debt & asking schools to subsidise their debt. The system needs to be simplified NOT further complicated. Further councillors means more expensive council tax for NO PURPOSEFUL REASON- just more people doing a bad job. This is an unnecessary cost for zero benefit.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3

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J1169	Poole Town	We do not need parish councils as well as BCP. That is unnecessary, costly and would lead to certain matters not being considered by either.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
J1170	Poole Town	We need either BCP or parish councils, not both	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
J1171	Poole Town	Who is going to foot the administrative bill for creating all these new areas?	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1172	Poole Town	1. The proposal to divide TB1 and TB5 between the proposed Poole and Bournemouth parishes raises concerns. There would be electors voting for different parish areas. This would increase the margin for error in polling stations and make administering the elections more complex. This could be resolved by altering the boundary between the polling districts to make this coterminous with the proposed parish boundaries. 2. The proposal to include part of WB4 in the proposed Poole parish council raises concerns. There would be electors voting for different parish areas and different BCP Council wards. This would increase the margin for error in polling stations and make administering the elections more complex. Whilst this could be resolved by altering the boundary between WB4 and TB6, we would question whether that would be appropriate considering the community identity of electors in that area. If it is considered that the community identity of electors in that area does not align with TB6 rather than WB4, then that part of WB4 should not be included in the proposed parish. 3. The proposal to divide PT3 between two proposed Poole parish wards (Longfleet and Sterte/Old Town and Baiter) raises concerns. This would mean amalgamating the northern part of PT3 into PT2. Currently PT2 and PT3 vote at the same location, the electorates are near the Electoral Commission suggested maximum for a polling station. Increasing the PT2 electorate would mean enough electors for a double station on its own. PT3 voters would then either need a separate station and we already have difficulty finding a location in this area or sending them to the PT5 station which is located further away and has access difficulties. Leaving PT2 and PT3 as they are with PT2 in the Longfleet and Sterte Ward and PT3 in the Old Town and Baiter Ward would resolve this, however the elector figures would mean significant variances from the average. One way to have wards with better electoral equality would be to create one parish ward of PT1 – PT5 and this be represented by 4 councillors. The figures would be within the allowed variance: Alderney 5819 2 2910 +3.65 Bearwood 5850 2 2925 +4.16 Bourne Valley & Branksome East 8167 3 2722 -2.97 Branksome West 8278 3 2759 -1.59 Canford Cliffs 8475 3 2825 +0.77 Canford Heath East 5640 2 2820 +0.59 Canford Heath West 5192 2 2596 -7.98 Creekmoor 7661 3 2554 -9.77 Hamworthy East 5332 2 2666 -5.15 Hamworthy West & Turlin Moor 5431 2 2716 -3.23 Longfleet, Sterte, Old Town & Baiter 11402 4 2851 +1.66	Neither agree nor disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
		Merley 5453 2 2727 -2.82 Newtown 8157 3 2719 -3.10 Oakdale 8702 3 2901 +3.36 Parkstone 9088 3 3029 +7.46 Penn Hill 9091 3 3030 +7.49 Total 117738 42 4. We have identified an additional anomaly concerning 254 Rossmore Road in the Newtown and Heatherlands area. This property has been proposed for inclusion in a parish ward that groups it with properties located in a different ward and Parliamentary constituency. We recommend that 254 Rossmore Road be included in the same parish ward as other properties in NH7, with the boundary adjusted to lie on the opposite side of this property. This would ensure alignment with both the existing ward and Parliamentary constituency boundaries. 5. We believe that if either the Bournemouth or Poole Parish proposal is approved while the other is not, the boundary along the dividing line should be reviewed. This would help ensure that no properties or areas are adversely affected or left isolated due to partial implementation. Furthermore, if any of the smaller parish areas proposed within the Poole Charter Trustees area are not approved, consideration should be given to including those areas within the approved parish to maintain continuity and avoid administrative gaps.					
J1173	Poole Town	Get rid of BCP council and leave just three separate, independent single tier authorities for Christchurch, Poole and Bournemouth.	Neither agree nor disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
J1174	Poole Town	I like that the separate identity of Poole is maintained rather than getting lost in the BCP merger.	Neither agree nor disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
J1175	Poole Town	Please have proposals to regenerate the Town Centre	Neither agree nor disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8



Community Governance Consultation

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Poole Town

Research and Consultation Team

Qualitative Analysis and Report by Darmax Research

Executive Summary

BCP Council are consulting on draft proposals to create new parish, town and community councils across Bournemouth and Poole and to make some small changes to the existing town/parish arrangements in Christchurch.

Before any decisions are made, the council sought the views of local residents on setting up a new parish council in Poole Town.

This report summarises the free-text responses to the consultation.

Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Results

Reasons for agreement/disagreement

Respondents were asked to provide their reasons for why they agree or disagree with the draft recommendations for Poole Town.

688 respondents provided feedback to this question. 591 of these respondents live in Poole, while 97 live outside the proposal area.

Feedback from Poole residents was divided. While supporters of the recommendations argued that a town council would restore local pride, civic identity, strengthen community voice, and ensure decisions better reflect local needs, opponents, however, argued that a Poole Town Council would be unnecessary and costly.

Boundary concerns were widely raised. Some respondents felt Poole should be represented as a single town council, with Broadstone included. Others believed the proposed area was too large and should instead be split into smaller parishes to reflect local differences. Particular concern was expressed about Wallisdown being split across Poole and Bournemouth. Respondents also highlighted disparities in representation across the BCP area, questioning fairness and consistency.

Administration and decision-making concerns were dominant. Many pointed out that BCP Council was only recently created to reduce bureaucracy and improve efficiency, and introducing another governance layer so soon would undermine that rationale. Many also felt that BCP Council had already caused disruption and instability since its formation in 2019, and that introducing new parishes would create confusion over accountability. Some called for BCP Council to be disbanded and for Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole to be reinstated as separate councils. Respondents also criticised the creation of additional councillor roles, seeing this as duplication without meaningful benefit.

Cost was another recurring theme. Residents expressed strong opposition to paying higher council tax or precepts to fund additional councillors and staff, particularly given a lack of clear costings.

The consultation process itself was also criticised. Respondents described it as unclear, lacking sufficient detail, and politically motivated. Several doubted whether resident feedback would genuinely influence outcomes.

Feedback from non-residents followed similar themes. A small number supported the proposals, recognising the value of restoring Poole's identity and enhancing local representation. However, the majority opposed them, arguing that parish councils were unnecessary. Concerns about boundaries, administration, duplication, and cost were similar to feedback received from residents, as was scepticism over the transparency and credibility of the consultation process.

Any other comments about the draft recommendations

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the draft recommendations for Poole Town.

444 respondents provided further comments, including 394 from within Poole and 50 from outside the area.

While some residents expressed support, describing the proposals as a way of restoring Poole's identity and strengthening local voice, most, however, opposed the recommendations.

Boundary issues were again raised, with some suggesting Broadstone should be included within Poole, while others argued the proposed area was too large and should be subdivided into smaller parishes. Concerns were also raised about disparities in councillor representation across the conurbation.

Administration concerns dominated feedback. Respondents warned of duplication, confusion over responsibilities, and further instability so soon after the BCP merger. Some argued for reverting to the three former councils rather than creating new parishes.

Cost objections questioned affordability and criticised the lack of financial detail. The consultation process was described as unclear, politically motivated, or predetermined. Calls were made for any changes to be decided by referendum.

A number of residents also raised other issues, including calls to retain Poole Civic Centre as the home of any future Town Council.

A small number of respondents who live outside the proposed area supported the proposals, citing the importance of restoring Poole's identity. The majority, however, opposed them. Respondents argued that Poole did not need an additional council, describing the proposals as costly and unnecessary.

Boundary concerns were again raised, particularly regarding Broadstone's separation from Poole and the size of the proposed council area.

Administration and governance issues were also highlighted, with respondents opposing another tier of bureaucracy and calling instead for improvements to BCP Council or a return to the original three councils.

Cost concerns were again noted, with many questioning affordability for residents. The consultation process was also criticised as poorly explained, politically motivated, and unlikely to influence decision-making.

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1 Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Qualitative responses (write in text) to questions were exported into Excel and were thematically analysed. The most common themes are reported on in this report. Anonymised quotes from participants have been used to illustrate the themes identified.

Please note that while the purpose of qualitative data is to provide deeper insights into reasoning and impact rather than to quantify data, the numbers of respondents who mentioned the most prevalent themes are provided in this report to give an indication of the magnitude of response. However, given the nature of qualitative data, it should be noted that this does not provide an indication of significance in relation to the question asked.

In addition, where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories. Where a response makes several different points, only the relevant part to the discussed theme is shown in the report.

2 Analysis and results

2.1 Reasons for agreement/disagreement

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688 respondents provided feedback to this question. 591 of these respondents live in Poole Town, while 97 of these respondents live outside of Poole Town.

Responses have been coded into key themes to make them easier to interpret. Please note that where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories.

Theme	Number of respondents		
	Respondent living in proposal area	Respondent living outside proposal area	Total
General support	103	12	115
General opposition	102	20	122
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	81	16	97
Administration/management of decisions	361	55	416
Cost of delivery	164	16	180
Consultation/decision process	88	13	101
Other	6	0	6

2.1.1 Respondents living in proposal area

103 respondents expressed general support of the draft recommendations for Poole Town. Respondents frequently described Poole as having a **proud and distinct civic identity** that was not being respected under the BCP arrangement. Having a Poole Town Council would help restore this identity and ensure that **decisions reflected Poole's specific needs**. They believed a town council would give Poole residents a stronger local voice, enabling decisions to reflect the unique needs and priorities of their community.



"I agree completely that Poole should have a town Council so we know we all have representation in our area."

"Agree that Poole should take back control in whatever way we can. BCP Council does not represent Poole and does not seem to be interested in Poole."

“I feel that it would allow more focus and voices from Poole Town centre in affecting things such as events and play areas etc rather than the huge and out of touch BCP Council where things have been taken away.”

102 respondents voiced opposition. They argued that the proposals were **unnecessary** and BCP Council should stop wasting money on these proposals. Respondents also commented that parish councils more generally are unnecessary.



“Do not agree with proposed changes, just a waste of taxpayers’ money.”

“There is no apparent benefit for the additional cost.”

81 respondents raised boundaries concerns. Some residents insisted that Poole **should be represented as a single town council** and questioned why Broadstone was deemed appropriate for its own parish separate from the rest of Poole. Conversely, others felt that the proposed area for Poole was **too large** and that different parts of Poole had distinct needs and should therefore be split into smaller parishes. Respondents also expressed concern that Poole was being **treated differently to Bournemouth**, with disparities in scale and representation. Respondents also commented that **Wallisdown** was being split between Poole and Bournemouth and would create confusion and divisions within the immediate community.



“I believe that Poole Town Council should cover the entirety of Poole, and that Broadstone should not be singled out to have its own Parish. This will lead to a severance of that community and a disconnect across the historic borough of Poole.”

“I support the idea of parishes, but the parish suggested for Poole is far too large, does not recognise substantial differences between Poole town and the other areas, and is not in keeping with the size of the other parishes put forward.”

“By simply adopting the old Bournemouth/Poole boundaries, it is still leaving Wallisdown cut across two areas, which has been a consistent issue for getting parity in the area with other areas of BCP.”

361 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. A significant proportion of comments reflected dissatisfaction with the **merger of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Councils** in 2019. Many respondents felt Poole had lost out in this arrangement, describing the town as “overshadowed” or “ignored” in favour of Bournemouth. They suggested that decision-making had become centralised, with Poole’s unique identity and needs **sidelined**. Respondents commented that constant restructuring had caused **disruption** and instability, and that BCP Council, despite its flaws, should be allowed to settle before any further changes were made. For these respondents, introducing a town council would only add more **bureaucracy** and **confusion**, with blurred responsibilities between the

different levels of governance. Respondents felt that creating a Poole Town Council was simply adding **another tier of politicians** rather than addressing the real issues facing residents. Respondents believed **BCP councillors already had the responsibility to represent the community**, and that introducing a new council would duplicate roles without solving problems. However, some respondents called for **BCP Council to be disbanded** and the area should revert to the previous three town councils and their original boundaries.



"In 2019 Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch were joined as a unitary authority and Dorset Council unitary authority was also formed at the same time. Residents were told that these larger councils would be more efficient and make financial savings due to economies of scale."

"I think that setting a 'council' for Poole just complicates who is responsible for what service in Poole. We have just gone through amalgamating the three councils into BCP. I do not wish the creation of another layer of local government."

"I don't really see the need for yet more councillors/representatives as surely the present councillors are perfectly capable of doing the work."

"We already have one council. We don't need lots of other councils. There will be too many councillors all doing the same job."

"This would only be a valid option if BCP was dissolved and all functions of BCP transferred to a (new) authority."

164 respondents commented on costs. Many raised concerns about **affordability** and that the proposals were a way of introducing increases in council tax. Respondents commented that the proposals **lacked detailed costings** and that the cost of setting up the various parish and town councils would be extremely high and passed on to residents.



"I disagree with the idea of charging even more money on top of the council tax we pay."

"Nuclear set up cost and ongoing cost for 40+ new councillors and additional workers that will be needed to run the administration."

"This whole debacle is just another means of raising taxes through the back door."

"I disagree with the proposal since there appear to be no costings given with respect to changes in Council Tax levels."

88 respondents criticised the consultation process. Respondents felt that the proposals lacked detail of what the recommendations actually involve and so were **unable to offer an informed opinion**. Some questioned whether the outcome had already been predetermined and expressed scepticism that resident feedback would

influence decisions. Respondents also felt that the proposals were **politically motivated** to suit individual agendas.



“I object to the idea of a Town Council being created on the grounds that important factors are unknown at this point. Residents cannot make informed decisions about something as important as this, without all the information and we just don't have it.”

“I don't agree with what you are proposing. You are basically pretending to be democratic by publishing this paper but you do not listen to the people e.g. closure of Poole Park, resistance to cycle lanes etc and obviously creation of BCP!”

“This is quite clearly becoming a dictatorship. Where do you think everyone is going to get the money from to pay for the extra fees. You think you can do what you like and we all have to jump!”

2.1.2 Respondents living outside proposal area

12 respondents expressed support. They recognised the importance of **restoring Poole's identity** and saw value in strengthening local representation. Some felt that parish and town councils across BCP would give residents more say and increase accountability.



“Value in having effective local governance, more attuned to local issues where applicable.”

“Agree with overall proposal, as a way of celebrating the long history of Poole, and addressing local issues that BCP council aren't funded to cover.”

However, 20 respondents voiced opposition. They believed a Poole Town Council was **unnecessary** and risked wasting money. Respondents suggested that instead of creating multiple smaller councils, efforts should focus on strengthening BCP Council's ability to deliver effectively.



“Poole doesn't need a Parish Council.”

“I am happy for the existing parish councils to continue but disagree with the creation of any further parish councils being created within the BCP area.”

16 respondents raised concerns about boundaries of the proposed council. Some residents insisted that Poole should be represented as a **single town council** and questioned why Broadstone was deemed appropriate for its own parish separate from the rest of Poole. Conversely, others felt that the proposed area for Poole was

too large and that different parts of Poole had distinct needs and should therefore be split into smaller parishes. Respondents also expressed concern with disparities in scale and representation between the different proposed areas.



“Poole Town Council MUST include Broadstone. Broadstone is very much part of the former town and borough of Poole and is currently within the boundary of the Poole Charter.”

“This isn't Poole town it's just whatever's left over from the old Poole council area. Why are these proposals sticking to old pre-BCP boundaries. Talbot and Wallisdown would be a more cohesive area than where this boundary lies. Hamworthy should have its own town council. I don't see what Canford Cliffs has in common with Oakdale.”

“The problem with the Draft recommendations are their incredible inconsistency. Why should any comparably sized area be treated differently? Such a situation is inherently unfair and undemocratic.”

55 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. Many of these respondents also referred to the **BCP Council merger**. Respondents commented that constant restructuring had caused disruption and instability, and that BCP Council, despite its flaws, should be allowed to settle before any further changes were made. For these respondents, introducing a town council would only add more **bureaucracy** and **confusion**, with blurred **responsibilities** between the different levels of governance. Respondents also argued that introducing more councils would simply **fragment governance** further. Respondents believed BCP councillors already had the responsibility to represent the community, and that introducing a new council would **duplicate roles** without solving problems. The proposals included too many new councillor positions. However, some respondents called for **BCP Council to be disbanded** and the area should revert to the previous three town councils and their original boundaries.



“The creation of parish councils is adding another layer of bureaucracy to the unitary authority of BCP which the bringing together of the 3 councils said it would avoid. We have local councillors that are elected to represent the views of the area they are elected too, and therefore this additional layer will add authority to those who are elected to represent our areas to the large unitary authority.”

“It an unnecessary level of bureaucracy and an informal council parish council could be created under the existing charter system.”

“I do not agree that any area requires a parish council. I believe that all functions should be carried out by BCP council. Anything more is an unnecessary complication and a waste of money.”

“If the central local authority cannot function in its current format, then you must disband BCP and hand responsibility back to the separate localities.”

“We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes!”

“3 councillors per ward sounds excessive for hyper-local politics and governance.”

16 respondents commented on **costs**, reflecting that residents cannot afford increases to their council tax and there was a lack of detail regarding the costings of the recommendations.



“I do not think that the constituents can afford to pay more than they already are for council tax. In the current economy people are already struggling to pay their overheads let alone fork out more, for what seems to be the same service they already receive, with no monetary cap on what can be charged. It's a terrible idea.”

13 respondents commented on the **consultation process**. Respondents felt that they had been presented with insufficient information to be able to make an informed decision. Respondents also felt that they were politically motivated and a way of protecting politicians jobs.



“I am currently unable to make an informed decision either way about this change as I have been given very little information about what changes would actually take place in the event that this goes ahead.”

“I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys'... or should I say girls in this instance!”

2.2 Any other comments about the draft recommendations

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the draft recommendations for Poole Town.

444 respondents provided feedback to this question. 394 of these respondents live in Poole Town, while 50 of these respondents live outside of Poole Town.

Responses have been coded into key themes to make them easier to interpret. Please note that where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories.

Theme	Number of respondents		
	Respondent living in proposal area	Respondent living outside proposal area	Total
General support	35	4	39
General opposition	116	12	128
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	39	9	48
Administration/management of decisions	185	29	214
Cost of delivery	85	5	90
Consultation/decision process	82	10	92
Other	32	2	34

2.2.1 Respondents living in proposal area

35 respondents expressed support. They highlighted the symbolic importance of reinstating Poole's **civic identity**, which they felt had been diminished under BCP Council. Supporters believed a Poole Town Council would **give residents a stronger voice**, enable more responsive decision-making, and provide better focus on local needs and priorities.



"It would be wonderful for Poole to have back its own identity."

"I believe that the historic town of Poole should decide on its own matters."

However, 116 respondents voiced opposition. Respondents described the proposals as **unnecessary** and **financially irresponsible**.



"The whole idea is a waste of residents money."

"This is totally unnecessary and will be a costly waste of time."

39 respondents raised boundaries concerns. Some residents questioned why **Broadstone** was deemed appropriate for its own parish separate from the rest of

Poole. Conversely, others felt that the proposed area for Poole was **too large** and that different parts of Poole had distinct needs and should therefore be split into smaller parishes. Respondents also expressed concern that there are **disparities in scale and representation** between the different proposed areas.



“The proposed boundaries are illogical. The old Poole borough should be subdivided into smaller parish council areas. There is no logic in removing one area namely Broadstone out of the previous Poole area but leaving all the surrounding areas in a single council area.”

“Poole Town covers a large area and unless you live in Canford Heath you don’t understand how the heathland comes with unique needs.”

“It is of concern to note that the precept for Christchurch Town Council (with 19 councillors for an electorate of 25,000 residents) is twice that of the Parish Councils, whereas Poole Town Council would have 42 councillors for an electorate of 112,000.”

185 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. Many felt that a Poole Town Council would create **duplication** and **confusion**, with blurred lines of **accountability** between local and overarching governance structures. Several questioned the wisdom of **reorganising governance so soon after BCP was created**, warning that constant structural changes undermined stability and effectiveness. Others argued that if governance reform was necessary, it should **involve re-establishing the former Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole councils**, not introducing smaller parish-level bodies. Respondents also felt that **existing councillors** should already be representing their communities effectively, and that adding another tier would do little to improve outcomes for residents.



“The establishment of town councils with arbitrary boundaries would result in a lot of meetings/ negotiations between neighbouring town councils. If having one BCP council was considered more efficient and less parochial, we should stick with that.”

“Another tier seems a step back. I thought BCP was set up to reduce duplication of costs.”

“These plans will add confusion over which council does which job, please keep it simple. BCP should improve their own services rather than creating new Councils to do their job for them.”

“Disband BCP Council and revert to individual councils for Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch.”

85 respondents commented on costs. Many raised concerns about **affordability** and that the proposals were a way of introducing increases in council tax. Respondents commented that the proposals **lacked detailed costings** and that the cost of setting

up the various parish and town councils would be extremely high and passed on to residents.



"I think under the problems of finance at the moment it should not go ahead in making another stream of councillors and staff we cannot afford."

"I do not agree to a parish council. As far as I can see it's just another way of local council getting more money out of residents for nothing."

"Without costings it is unfair to ask the residents to vote in a particular way."

82 respondents criticised the consultation process. Respondents felt that the proposals lacked detail of what the recommendations actually involve and so were **unable to offer an informed opinion**. Some questioned whether **resident feedback** would influence the outcome of the consultation. The proposals should also go to a **public vote** before any changes are made. Respondents also felt that the proposals were **politically motivated** to suit individual agendas.



"I think the whole draft is extremely confusing and made deliberately so to prevent residents from commenting about the proposals so local government can make changes without residents fully understanding the implications."

"A full referendum should be offered. Recommendations for Poole haven't been promoted by an independent/impartial group. Local media have not made a front page. We need a full referendum ASAP."

"This proposal seems to be already decided by the council and rather than a consultation which will be ignored the electorate should be granted a referendum."

"This is short sighted proposal chosen by a chosen council."

32 respondents commented on other issues not covered by the draft recommendations, including the need to **retain Poole Civic Centre**.



"Space should be allocated within the vacant Poole Civic Centre for the Town Council, the Mayor's Office and all civic regalia, as well as the function room."

2.2.2 Respondents living outside proposal area

4 respondents expressed support, arguing that Poole deserved a council of its own to reflect its **historic identity** and to strengthen local decision-making.



“It would be nice to have Poole’s identity back.”

However, 12 respondents opposed the proposals, describing them as costly, **unnecessary** and that they were happy with the current structure.



“We do not need parish councils as well as BCP. That is unnecessary, costly and would lead to certain matters not being considered by either.”

9 respondents raised **boundaries concerns**. Respondents questioned why Broadstone was not included with the rest of Poole, while others felt that the proposed area was too large.



“I am confused as to why it has been put forward for Broadstone to become its own separate council rather than be included with the rest of the areas in Poole?”

“This makes sense for Poole town centre but not for the wider conurbation.”

29 respondents raised concerns about **administration and decision-making**. They highlighted duplication of effort, confusion of roles, and the risk of fragmented governance across the wider conurbation. BCP Council should concentrate on providing services to residents rather than creating unnecessary recommendations. Some felt that reestablishing the three original councils would be a more effective solution and that they were opposed to the previous merging of town councils.



“Less bureaucracy and transparency is required from BCP with more action from those already elected, not more.”

“Should never have formed a unitary council (BCP) with Christchurch and Bournemouth. The original 3-Councils worked perfectly well for the residents.”

“I would like to see improvements to Poole town centre.”

5 respondents commented on **costs**, questioning the additional cost to residents and where the money to pay for the changes would come from.



“Who is going to foot the administrative bill for creating all these new areas?”

10 respondents criticised the **consultation process**. They described it as poorly explained, politically motivated and expressed concern that residents views would not be listened to.



“Listen to your residents and their wishes!! The majority of residents don’t want parish councils.”

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Q58 – Please tell us the reasons for your answer whether you agree or disagree with the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K1	Bournemouth Town	E. Didn't we just amalgamate Bournemouth into BCP. Wasn't that supposed to introduce efficiencies and cost savings? Instead we have a proposal to introduce vast amounts of extra costs to add a layer of gravy train for the council. How long before the leader demands several hundred thousand a year to run this new council. This is the appearance of democracy but really just adding more bureaucracy.		Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K2	Bournemouth Town	Please see my comments regarding Southbourne. Further to this I note that the elector to councillor ratio for the Bournemouth area is very high, especially when compared to that of, for instance, Hurn. There is a huge disparity, far more than the +- 10% recommended for local council areas. this means that the areas with preferential ratios already have unfair representation on the council.		Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K3	Bournemouth Town	(b) A Queen's Park parish council should be considered separately from Bournemouth town council. similar to the Redhill and Northbourne proposal. This could also include the Littledown area under a 'Queens Park & Littledown parish council'.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K4	Bournemouth Town	(f) the opportunity should be taken to rename Queens Park to Queens Park and Charminster as they are areas of distinct difference and Charminster gets left behind all of the time. any representation should ensure that there is always one councillor minimum, resident and understanding of the different challenge of Charminster.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K5	Bournemouth Town	a	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K6	Bournemouth Town	A - h I strongly agree because it provides focus to the various areas of Bournemouth. By have local councillors they can support ward initiatives to improve Bournemouth overall.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K7	Bournemouth Town	a) I feel that minor civic amenities like public markets, playgrounds, public gardens, and public toilets are being left by in disrepair as BCP Council are forced to divert a larger and larger share of funding to statutory services like adult social care. Giving control of non-statutory public amenities and services like street sweeping over to a Town Council would free up funding for BCP council to spend on more pressing issues. It would also cut down on the bureaucracy involved with minor public works, as a town council's civil service is much smaller than that of a unitary authority. b) Having lived in Winton and spent time in Kinson, I feel that they have a separate civic identity and may benefit more from having their own civil parishes. c) I can't think of another fitting name for the civil parish other than Bournemouth. d & e) I do not think the style "Parish Council" fits large urban areas, so I feel "Town Council" is more appropriate. f) Since civil parishes can't use the style "Borough", I think Bournemouth Town Council is the most fitting name. g, h, i) I do not have any comments about ward boundaries or the number of councillors.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K8	Bournemouth Town	a) I believe that a parish of Bournemouth will allow for more flexibility regarding decisions that affect the local community. b,f) The boundaries and names suggested make sense. d) A parish council in the form of a town council, will provide the necessary organisation.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5

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K9	Bournemouth Town	a. Bournemouth Town must be able to make its own council policy and not be overridden by remote regions of the conurbation.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K10	Bournemouth Town	Agree with residents	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K11	Bournemouth Town	BCP council is corrupt, incompetent and broken. More powers should be delegated closer to residents. CEO position should be open to public scrutiny and powers to fire the CEO should be given to residents.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K12	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Town Centre has gone drastically downhill in recent years. We need a body focused solely on reviving it.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K13	Bournemouth Town	g and h: Does each ward need that many councillors? That sound like a lot and more expensive than having fewer people. It is also more difficult to come decisions as Bournemouth Town Council if 38 councillors are involved.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K14	Bournemouth Town	g) The areas of Bournemouth Central East, Cliff & Springbourne and Westbourne & West Cliff should be in their own parish council. As these areas have the beach. And have different issues than the areas inland of Bournemouth .	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 5
K15	Bournemouth Town	I agree that local government in such a large area should be broken down into smaller areas. Although it does feel as if the area represented by Bournemouth Town is very diverse socioeconomically. Westbourne, for example, is a lot wealthier than Springbourne.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4

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Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K16	Bournemouth Town	I feel there is a need for local representation for residents in the proposed Bournemouth Town Council area, more directly accountable to residents that the Trustees.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K17	Bournemouth Town	I think devolving power to a more local level is a good thing	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH2 6
K18	Bournemouth Town	I would be happy for there to be a Bournemouth Town COuncil	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K19	Bournemouth Town	If the suggestion below is taken up, then new boundary needs to be drawn.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
K20	Bournemouth Town	Merge with Redhill and Boscombe, halve the number of councillors	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
K21	Bournemouth Town	None	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K22	Bournemouth Town	Quite simply, local government needs to be brought closer to local residents, that is, Bournemouth residents influencing and promoting issues, and addressing concerns pertaining to their locality.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K23	Bournemouth Town	Re 'g' and 'h' and numbers of councillors, I fail to see or understand how this is fair representation and strongly feel that more efforts should be made to explain how these numbers have been arrived upon. Bournemouth Council having over 2,700 people per councillor and Throop and Holdenhurst for example having only 35! Throop and Holdenhurst having 7 councillors and Littledown and Iford, despite it's size and population having only 3! This being 6.4% under average. As a resident of Iford, I therefore strongly feel we are under represented on the council and that the proposed Bournemouth Town Council does not fairly represent its electorate. Especially given the congestion we suffer every day in the RBH area and the continued and constantly increasing use by every BCP resident, with the ever expanding RBH site and centralisation of departments at RBH. Our voice should be stronger.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
K24	Bournemouth Town	Same as previously stated, you have already amalgamated the whole of Dorset council's we don't need or want a massive increase in the our council tax, get it through your heads normal people don't earn the sort of money you lot pay yourselves	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
K25	Bournemouth Town	Since the council became BCP, it has felt that Bournemouth itself has lost a lot of detailed focus or attention- with money from our council tax diverted to non Bournemouth areas. We need to have oversight of our local area as it has become dirty and unkempt. Not the Bournemouth we used to enjoy. It also deters visitors due to lack of good shopping in the town. Unbelievable given the footfall and good hotels and restaurants.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K26	Bournemouth Town	the idea is strong but there are too many councillors there should be less to save costs and make it easier to fill vacancies	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K27	Bournemouth Town	The town parish is a non-sense if it has large exclusion areas, and instead should focus on the core town centre eg Town Centre Area Action Plan area with parish councils for the rump wards.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9

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K28	Bournemouth Town	Too many councillors	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K29	Bournemouth Town	Too many councillors, reduce. Include Redhill and Northbourne in, or have North Bournemouth and South Bournemouth PC's	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K30	Bournemouth Town	(a) (c) (e) and (J) There appears to be no benefit from establishing another layer of government. At a time when so many seem to be struggling with finances, both government and families, there seems no benefit in having another layer of bureaucracy where we have managed without until now.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K31	Bournemouth Town	(a) (f) The current arrangements should remain in place. The formation of Parish/Town Councils should be a bottom up not top down process – led by local communities coming together as illustrated with reference to the already established Parish Councils as well as other community groups ie • Throop and Holdenhurst Village Council • Neighbourhood plans – ie ‘Boscombe and Pokesdown Neighbourhood Forum’ • Throop and Muscliff Neighbours Network • TMSTH – Throop, Muscliff, Strouden, Townsend, Holdenhurst Area Forum – for members (all residents in these areas) to make their views heard. This is led from the ground up with communities/areas coming together of their own volition feeling empowered deciding what they want for their area and feeling invested in the process. This will better reflect what residents in the various areas want (from their understanding of their distinct characteristics, priorities and needs for their area) enabling them to define what they consider to be the identified boundaries of their community as well as identifying the issues, priorities and needs specific to their areas. Communities are also represented by their elected Councillors so a further level of governance with different boundaries would result in confusion. (b) (d) (f) What communities want will vary across the whole area so amalgamating a range of diverse sub areas with differing needs and communities (for example ranging from: the town centre itself; the urban centres of Winton, Moordown, Charminster; the suburban areas of Meyrick Park, Dean Park and Queens Park; the out lying areas of Muscliff and Strouden Park and the coastal areas of East and West Cliff) into one ‘Town Council’ area cannot logically represent the best interests of those living in these areas. A top down approach with pre-determined areas and boundaries which do not relate or reflect the actual community needs of the various sub areas across the town is not the correct way to form parishes. This process should not be engineered – it should happen organically. (c)(e) Naming the various areas as ‘Bournemouth Town Council’ does not respect the difference of the various areas that would fall within it (see b and f above). The name is not very transparent as to which areas it would cover. Compare with the name of Throop and Holdenhurst Parish Council – which is clearly identifiable in its geographical location. (g) As this process is not community led the community are less likely to engage and there could be the scenario that there are no or an insufficient number of councillors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K32	Bournemouth Town	(a) I was a Parish Councillor for 25 years in another area and am in favour of Parish and Town Councils but I do not think this proposal makes any sense. The area is far too big and the Council will be unmanageable. People need to feel as though their Parish/Town Council represents them and supports their local needs. This won't be possible with such a large parish.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K33	Bournemouth Town	(a) No submissions for a Bournemouth Town Council were received and it therefore seems ridiculous that a proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council should progress. The current Charter Trustees for Bournemouth should remain for the areas not covered by any Town Council proposals. This appears to be a stealth way to increase local taxation on residents, increasing levels of bureaucracy for no material benefit and is therefore something I disagree with. I strongly disagree with any change and would strongly prefer for the Charter Trustees to remain for the area of East Cliff & Springbourne.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K34	Bournemouth Town	(a) Please see comments on the wider issues (Bournemouth, Poole) re benefits of co-ordination, consistency and liaison across the conurbation plus the efficiency gains (to council(s) and residents) from having a single body address issues.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K35	Bournemouth Town	(a) to (h) I strongly disagree with ALL recommendations. This would introduce another layer of government which is unnecessary. The existing ward system already ensures each area within BCP is well represented by local councillors. I cannot see creating a town council with further elected individuals will add anything at all. Also this proposal will add to an already high council tax liability. The estimated one percent initial cost will inevitably increase in future years - you only have to look at how the Police and Crime Commissioner precept has increased over the years with little or no benefit to council tax payers.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6

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K36	Bournemouth Town	‘A’, ‘B’, ‘C’, ‘D’, ‘E’, ‘F’. The Task & Finish Group, while actively recommending the establishment of 3 new Parishes in a third of Bournemouth, is consulting and recommending that the remaining two-thirds of Bournemouth should have a Town Council, named Bournemouth Town Council, which is both absurd and confusing. ‘G’ Conflict of Interest It should specify that BCP Ward Councillors are not eligible to stand as a parish / town councillor as this gives rise to an obvious conflict of interest, particularly if that individual is a member of BCP Council Cabinet. This ruling needs to apply (also retrospectively) to ALL parishes for the reasons stated above.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K37	Bournemouth Town	38 town councillors is insanity and a preposterous number of members for any small authority to manage. The costs of onboarding and training those members alone is a demonstrable waste of public money. This is a criminal amount of over-representation when taken with BCP members as well. For example, the Queens Park ward would have 6 councillors. Completely unhinged idea. Christchurch Town Council returned unopposed in 2019 and was unable to find enough candidates to fill all 19 seats. You'll never get 38 vacancies filled on Bournemouth Town Council much less in a contested election. Whoever came up with this idea clearly hasn't got a clue about how hard it is to get engagement at the town and parish level. That is an unprecedented number of councillors for a town council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K38	Bournemouth Town	a - A parish council for this area is not welcome and I believe totally unnecessary offering little benefit to its residents it's an extra layer creating more complications we don't need more councillors I believe we have enough and I want to see our local government stay as it is - Parish free	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K39	Bournemouth Town	a - h This is completely unnecessary and we should stick with the status quo. It will only cost the residents more in council tax with no benefits.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7

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K40	Bournemouth Town	A - I do not agree with the creation of a parish council for Bournemouth town. Under the original local government reorganisation process and the creation of BCP, more needs to be done to unite the three towns rather than divide and separate these communities. The three towns all have unique identities which should be celebrated but I do not think we need to create separate town councils to do this and will cost rather than save money.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K41	Bournemouth Town	A - Parish councils are designed for villages not simply dividing up a larger town	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K42	Bournemouth Town	a - There is a council covering Bournemouth at the moment. To have another layer of local government will cost a lot more to the local residents and involve more time consuming meetings.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K43	Bournemouth Town	A and C. Bournemouth does not need a Parish council. This would be more levels of bureaucracy for residents to wade through to understand and process. There would be greater expenditure for residents, which I believe would be uncapped, and would result in BCP Councils passing more and more “tasks” to the PCs to deal with.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K44	Bournemouth Town	a' No interest in having more levels of bureaucracy in the area. More cost and more arguing. I thought the whole idea of having one BCP council was to streamline services and reduce costs.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K45	Bournemouth Town	a plans will add confusion over which council does which job. the presnt services should be improved by bcp.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8

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K46	Bournemouth Town	a to d - A complete waste of money, there is no connection between Winton and Bournemouth Town Centre, Eastcliff or Littledown etc.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 2
K47	Bournemouth Town	A to h .we don't need or want it but then again bcp council does as it wants we can't afford another council tax rise who is going to pay for this	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5
K48	Bournemouth Town	A) A parish of Bournemouth should not include Queen's Park & Charminster as designated in the Queen's Park & Charminster Neighbourhood Plan area as consulted. B) The boundary of the parish should not include the previously designated Neighbourhood Plan area of Charminster & Queen's Park C) A parish by the name of Bournemouth should not be designated on the basis of a single response to the first consultation due to insufficient weight and support of the enclosed communities. D) Given the insufficient response of the initial consultation, the parish should not have a parish council in the style of town council E) Given the insufficient response of the initial consultation, the name of the town council should not be Bournemouth Town Council F) The areas designated within the consulted boundaries of the Queen's Park & Charminster Neighbourhood Plan should not be included within the insufficiently consulted Bournemouth Town Council. G) If the Bournemouth Town Council proposal is accepted, it should deduct the weighted amount of councillors based on the absence of the QP&C Neighbourhood Forum area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8

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K49	Bournemouth Town	a) Again why are we doing this. We now will have a situation where a few neighbourhoods will be ridiculously overrepresented while the rest of Bournemouth and Poole have no low level representation. I imagine most residents don't actually care either way but if we are separating individual parts of Bournemouth into their own parishes why not split up the whole thing? I disagree with the creation of any parish councils proposed as the parish council responsibilities will be negligible and should be handled by the bcp council But if the plan is to have Redhill and nearby areas as a parish why isn't Kinson a separate parish too. Retaining Poole and Bournemouth as individual massive parishes seems to not be in the spirit of having parishes in the first place.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH11 9
K50	Bournemouth Town	a) and d) I don't believe we need an extra layer of admin and bureaucracy. I don't see a benefit to residents in establishing parish councils but I do see that there will be additional costs to residents, and BCP councillors will be less accountable for maintaining the separate local areas, and will pass the buck to parish councils for issues it finds too expensive or too difficult to deal with. What was the point in amalgamating the town councils into BCP if only to create a new sub-layer of councillors? I thought the larger council was meant to benefit from economies of scale, better purchasing power and reduced admin and bureaucracy. The creation of parish councils undermines the arguments for the creation of BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K51	Bournemouth Town	A) Disagree. Why should people pay an additional precept for another level of decision making. We elected BCP council to represent us on these matters. We don't need to pay more for another layer.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8

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K52	Bournemouth Town	a) I do not agree that we need another layer of bureaucracy in the system. I have therefore answered "strongly disagree" to question a). It therefore follows that I don't support any of the statements b) to h) so I have indicated "strongly disagree" to all. My reasoning is simple - keep the structure simple and make it effective. Under your proposals, it will be extremely confusing who is responsible for which service. This will vary from area to area depending on the capacity of new Town Councils to take on responsibility for services beyond the statutory functions. Continue to work on BCP as a joined-up organisation, consider why BCP was brought together in the first place. Make the BCP Council effective before you consider further changes. If you can't deliver all services, be honest with your electorate and say what is that you can't do and why. The size of the proposed Bournemouth town council is huge and, although the areas are different, this feels like a backward step in time to before BCP was created. I don't think a town council at the proposed size of Bournemouth is going to be an effective solution. I think the present system can provide adequate representation of ward interests through existing ward councillors. And there are already community groups like the residents' associations that represent local interests. Plus there is likely to be an additional cost for residents and I think you have a duty to consider this. I know that your proposal says that it shouldn't be a consideration but to hard-pressed residents at a time of a cost of living crisis I think this should also be a consideration. A town council precept wouldn't be capped unlike increases to main council tax so a precedent is set. Also, from where do you get all these additional councillors? If existing councillors sat on town councils as well I can see conflicts of interest at every point. In a society where many voluntary organisations are closing due to lack of volunteers, I see the recruitment of so many new councillors quite an issue. Please get the current council operating effectively and efficiently before you consider these changes. This is the priority for most residents and businesses in the area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K53	Bournemouth Town	a) I see no benefit in creating any new layers of government below BCP Council. I believe that the merger of the three councils (Bournemouth Poole Christchurch) has led to economies of scale which enable the efficient and cost-effective provision of services. To introduce additional local layers of service provision would not be an improvement as the fragmentation of control would lead to less efficiency and higher costs. Further, I find it convenient to have a single point of contact when dealing with 'the council'. I would find it more difficult to make contact with the appropriate service provider and would feel less able to hold them to account if service provision was split across BCP council and a local council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5

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K54	Bournemouth Town	a) strongly disagree as don't want more layers of bureaucracy and associated costs b-g) not applicable	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K55	Bournemouth Town	a) The creation of Parish Councils within BCP Council is an unnecessary and pointless exercise that the vast majority of residents will not care about as will be proved by the turnout in any elections should the idea go ahead. In some of the proposed parishes there will be one Councillor for every 100 residents whilst in other the ration would be over a 1000 per Councillor, clearly this is ludicrous. All resident already have elected Councillors sitting on BCP Council who should be standing up for the areas they were elected by and BCP Council has far more money and influence than the Parish Councils will have. Due to the tight budgets within BCP Council proposals by Councillors to waste money on unnecessary projects that the vast majority of residents don't care about should normally fail and not be proceeded with, but in a Parish Council such projects may be proceeded with which will add to residents bills without providing any services residents would choose if they were told how much they cost. The whole idea of Bournemouth and Poole Borough Councils becoming Unitary Authorities was to reduce the tiers to one. The creation of BCP Council was to further reduce costs through economies of scale in a single Unitary Authority. The creation of a new second tier goes against the whole point of creating BCP Council. The proposal should be about scrapping the current pointless Parish Councils within Christchurch whose financial decisions are not properly audited, rather then creating these pointless money wasting additional tiers throughout BCP Council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K56	Bournemouth Town	A) There is no demand for this. It adds unnecessary cost to the local area. b) This is a disaster formulation, with carve outs all over the Bournemouth area. Why would the council put Kinson, Winton and town centre but not Redhill, Boscombe, Southbourne and Talbot Woods.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K57	Bournemouth Town	a) This is a clearly unnecessary additional layer of government. Responsibilities are now clearly with the BCP Council but under the proposals it will be entirely unclear where these responsibilities lie and there will be endless opportunity for "buck passing" between BCP and the town council. In addition there will obviously be additional costs associated with the new councils which can only be passed on to tax payers.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K58	Bournemouth Town	a) to g) There is no need to create more bureaucracy. The present arrangements are satisfactory. The creation of a town council will create more expenditure e.g. salaried staff, expenses for the councillors, costs of running elections etc. which will be collected using this idea of a precept; that is merely a fancy word for additional rates or council tax.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K59	Bournemouth Town	a) to h) (all) I strongly disagree with the need for parish councils when we already have an amalgamated Council	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K60	Bournemouth Town	a) Unnecessary extra layer of government with added bureaucracy and talking shops for 38 more councillors, and confused unclear division of responsibilities with the main BCP council. That was the point of having unitary councils in the first place. This proposed council is for the rump of Bournemouth not already burdened with a parish council, with little common interest between the various areas, so councillors will spend their time disputing whether Kinson or Westbourne or Littledown will benefit from their attention. There's is enough representation at BCP already, leave it as is. b) to h) - no further comments, see a)	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K61	Bournemouth Town	a) We don't need yet another layer of bureaucracy, which will cost local taxpayers more (via a parish precept) to fulfil the same requirements that BCP has responsibility for. The thought of 'turkey' voting for christmas [unknown] the mind.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9

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K62	Bournemouth Town	a),b,c,d,e,f,g) I strongly disagree with the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town and the other recommendations. The town already has elected council and there is no reason to establish a further layer of bureaucracy which will only increase our council tax. Our elected councillors should serve the area they are elected from and I have no issues with my current councillors. Added councillors will only confuse issues especially if they are only elected for certain responsibilities with constituents having to go to different councillors for different issues.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K63	Bournemouth Town	a, b c d e f g h Bournemouth, (and Poole) already have an existing arrangement of local wards where items can concern can be raised by residents to their local elected representatives and this is established and adequate . there is no need for additional bureaucracy and unknown expense.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K64	Bournemouth Town	a, b, c, d, e, f, g - By both reducing the actual named area of Bournemouth by removing a whole ward from the proposed councils authority and reducing the status of the Town of Bournemouth to some overblown parochial Parish in an increasingly interconnected world, is an irresponsible act. h, i - There is no requirement for so many councillors per ward to 'monitor' a small number of services identified 'as such' than the number of councillors 'monitoring' the statutory services currently delivered by BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 9
K65	Bournemouth Town	a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j The proposed Bournemouth Town area is not cohesive. I strongly disagree with the concept, but if there were to be a Bournemouth Town Council it should be based on the boundary of the former Bournemouth Borough Council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K66	Bournemouth Town	a, g) We already have an over representation of the public sector in the UK with an estimate of 6.1 million people working in or for government at some level. This is a preposterous statistic for a country as small as the UK. We already have the government, parliament, devolved parliaments, quangos, councils and now another council on top of the council. Such additional bureaucracy adds layers of complication as to who to go to for what issues and is surely going to be less efficient in resolving any arising issues as cross-body communication will be slow and erroneous. It would surely be better to keep council functions within a single council body. Councils are also struggling these days, it would surely be better to focus on the underlying issues rather than introduce new things that can potentially create a great deal of additional unforeseen problems. We have already gone from individual councils (Bournemouth, Christchurch, Poole) to the BCP Council in recent memory, creating one larger council - only to then have this proposal for another layer of smaller councils on top! Make it make sense!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K67	Bournemouth Town	a, I strongly disagree with the proposal to change the existing arrangements which have only been in place since 2019 and introduce yet another costly tier of bureaucracy. Indeed even the cost of this consultation is beyond belief when BCP Council's financial situation is so precarious	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K68	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h The proposals are totally unnecessary and duplicate the function of Wards and Ward Councillors	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
K69	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h We have a Town Council which has council representatives for each area. We do not need more levels of administration but for existing Councillors to do their job and represent their ward to the Council with diligence and hard work on behalf of their electors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K70	Bournemouth Town	a,d,f,g,h The overall issue is that the parish councils haven't been given enough control or decision making ability to be useful or effective. Either give them significant autonomous independent power or don't bother. This whole thing is such a waste of time for something so insignificant.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K71	Bournemouth Town	a,unnecessary idea associated with this proposal, what do you expect to achieve and what is the precise role of setting up a parish when the Council is in my opinion failing to maintain Bournemouth as a thriving and prosperous town to live in. I have lived and worked in Bournemouth for the past 15 years and have watched the slow decline of the area due to BCP not forgiving it's contract to the people living here on numerous levels.Businesses closing down, empty shops, vagrants habitating the area and crime on the rise.in my opinion creating another arm of the council is a bit far fetched and not worth the invest.why doesn't BCP concentrate on what it's there for and pull Bournemouth out of the gutter.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K72	Bournemouth Town	A. Disagree...it seems to add an additional layer, adding cost and more importantly diluting the responsibility of any specific body to address issues (that are currently BCP council). There seems little value in the potential for a more local body to highlight issues in a specific area as the existing council should already be aware of the major ones (and in most cases would retain responsibility anyway).	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K73	Bournemouth Town	a. I am opposed to the proposal for creating any Parish Council in the BPC area, as I see it as an unnecessary additional level of decision making, when systems are already in place to adequately deal with all issues proposed to be controlled by the Parish Council. The additional costs to the already overcharged Council Tax payers of BCP will be another unjustified burden to contend with.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8

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K74	Bournemouth Town	A. I do not agree to the creation of additional Town/Parish councils. This is due to the increased costs that Council Tax payers will inevitably have to pay. When BCP was created, the idea was to save costs and decrease the number of councillors overall. There are no detailed costings included with the proposals, however the introduction of Town/Parish councils so respondents have no accurate details on which to base our decisions. However there will be increased costs in the form of buildings, staff etc and like the PCC's these will quickly spiral out of control. If you want to give greater local accountability, reinstating the original Borough Councils and disbanding BCP would be preferable.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K75	Bournemouth Town	A. I do not believe springbourne should be part of a larger parish, we have our own identity and are in the process of setting up neighbourhood schemes. A parish as large as the one proposed would mean we lose our identity amongst bigger areas. Our council tax would rise and would not be beneficial to our area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K76	Bournemouth Town	a. I do not see the benefit of this added layer of bureaucracy. There is no reason in my view why the present system shouldn't work effectively.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K77	Bournemouth Town	Absolute waste of time .If you cannot run BCP as a single unit, with its economies of scale. then you should not be in the job. There was no need to become BCP if you a to produce more civil servants and councillors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K78	Bournemouth Town	Again just another wasteful tactic to take more money from local residents who are having a hard enough time living in bournemouth anyway what with the homeless, no shops other than barbers the town centre is a drug cess pit bin that I won't let my family near the streets in awful condition and the council as it currently stands couldn't care less for the occupants of the bcp area only lining their pockets more. Can I suggest you all justify what you actually do and perhaps what you have done of success for the bourenmouth area while in OUR employ	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2

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K79	Bournemouth Town	a-h: I do not consider introducing another layer of bureaucracy would be beneficial or cost-effective; the two-tier council arrangement of Bournemouth/Dorset was abolished many years ago	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
K80	Bournemouth Town	All - A total waste of money, we already have three representatives for our ward, why would you need extra. There is a danger that BCP council will offload responsibility and costs on parish councils, with no reduction in council tax bills. We shouldn't even be wasting money on consulting about this and why split off areas like Redhill? We are either a town or not. Only last year some councillors were lamenting that BCP hadn't been able to join a new Wessex Council. Try some consultations to save taxpayers money not risk spending more.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K81	Bournemouth Town	all - disagree with the proposals. Stay as Bournemouth Charter Trustees and stop messing with the tiers of local government adding in more levels, confusion and costs for local residents.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K82	Bournemouth Town	All 'a' to 'h' - I am wholly opposed to the proposals for the detailed reasons stated in my submission dated 9 June 2025.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K83	Bournemouth Town	All a waste of money	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K84	Bournemouth Town	All recommendations (a)-(h): I disagree with the basic principle of establishing a Bournemouth Town Council as outlined in this section of the consultation, and therefore disagree with every recommendation associated with it. I have seen no evidence to date that there is any particular appetite from residents for this town council to be formed at the present time. I think that these parts of Bournemouth should therefore remain unparished until such time as there is a demonstrable interest in the formation of a new council or councils in the area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K85	Bournemouth Town	An un- necessary expence	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K86	Bournemouth Town	Another layer of bureaucracy which will cost council taxpayer more and achieve nothing. BCP Council need to stop damaging our town and wasting our money. This is an opportunity for BCP Council to pass the buck to a town council and the town council to then blame BCP. Not needed. Not wanted	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K87	Bournemouth Town	Any additional levels created will result in unnecessary expense and will likely not improve the current failings of the BCP Council	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9

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K88	Bournemouth Town	As a Wallisdown resident I do not see the need for a town council. I do not know anyone locally who has requested setting up a town council nor support the idea of having one. b) Wallisdown is too far away from the town centre to be linked with it - we have different needs in this area than the town centre and sea front. The whole proposed area is too big anyway to deliver a localised plan that suits the needs of these diverse areas. The boundary appears random and arbitrary. c) d) e) and f) We're Wallisdown not Bournemouth Town. We have our own identity which is different to the town centre and other places within the boundary. A town council will not suit any of us. The town centre will sack all the available resources and services for the whole proposed area and we will end up with a huge disparity across the area and within BCP as a whole. g) and h) we don't need any more councillors. 38 more voices is just a duplication and adds an unnecessary and costly layer of bureaucracy. Responsibilities will be duplicated and lines of accountability will be blurred. The delivery of services will be bogged down even further	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
K89	Bournemouth Town	As I said in the southbourne comments, the idea of town/parish councils is not something I think is worth the effort. Assuming this opinion doesn't change anything, the map for this town council is wild. It's clearly just the left over parts not being put into another parish, and there is no internal cohesion between these areas. LI3, where I am really fits better into Southbourne, but the rest of LI doesn't fit into this map either. The Wallisdown & Kinson areas are just strapped on the side with a gap in there, and there are large areas in the middle with almost nothing in common with others (Queens park, for example is very wealthy, Muscliffe really not, the town centre largely students and Springbourne (where we have worked for 25 years with our church) can be a pretty transient population. This is clearly just lumped together to be able to get rid of the Town Charter Trustees, which I don't really care either way about but it's certainly not a cohesive proposal in any sense. The idea of this being the proposal, but it will be changed if some other part isn't implemented is also insufficiently defined.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5

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K90	Bournemouth Town	B - Muscliff area has stronger potential joining Troop area E - what is the point in becoming a unitary authority, then forming 2 town councils, costing more money and of a size that would make it difficult to create a community and truly serve that area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K91	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth is a much bigger area than that which has been segmented off. It does not bode well for the future of our once great thriving town to be treated like the poor relation to Christchurch and Poole.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K92	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth is part of the larger urban area of BCP. There is not enough difference between the various wards to warrant making the area a separate town council.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
K93	Bournemouth Town	C Have ing another level will only cause confusion as to who will represent us . As shown at throop all another level of councellors will only lead to then polishing thier own egos. We have a council and they should rule.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K94	Bournemouth Town	Complete waste of money duplicating existing governance structure' and which appears to be a back door increase in council tax	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K95	Bournemouth Town	Disagree with ALL, This is gerrymandering at it's worse, Why are you splitting of the various wards previously mentioned from Bournemouth? Why are you suggesting creating a Redhill council yet not one for Kinson which has a much more distinct and cohesive character and Northbourne is more aligned with Kinson then ever Redhill. Why some wards an extra council and then lump all the others together in Bournemouth this is inconsistent and clearly demonstrates an idea looking for an answer and not required. Additionally I believe with the governments current proposals on local government we should not be considering any further changes in local government until the governments decisions on merging councils has been completed and we should take a lead from central government. We have no need for additional councillors and by introducing an additional council we will lengthen the time made for decisions, increase costs and will not provide any material benefit.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K96	Bournemouth Town	Disagree. We already have a council which should be taking care of all the needs of the three Burroughs. We do not a " broken bisc" with more smaller councils fighting for more services attention etc. A united front is better than an increased council with lesser powers. There will be so many voices to be heard that none will be heard and the declining standards in this borough will slide even further. We need strong, sincere and willing leaders who are able to manage the concerns of the local residents in each area and DO something about it. A further fragmented council will lead to less being done.and no one taking full responsibility but blaming it on someone or rather "something else" New council, just another bunch of names with no faces There are already plenty of residents within each area who could bump up the requirements for their area to the responsible person in the council. If the councillor is not up to the job then they should be replaced by someone who is. Political affiliation is not a necessity just sorting out the local problems and concerns is.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K97	Bournemouth Town	Do not need	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K98	Bournemouth Town	Do not support - see my email	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K99	Bournemouth Town	Doesn't need a parish council	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K100	Bournemouth Town	Don't. Think there should be another layer of money to be collected from the residents	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH11 9
K101	Bournemouth Town	First of all - I'm horrified at the complexity of this survey and as someone who oversees a market research and insight function I'm shocked that you believe this is truly accessible to the broadest cross section of our community. I believe you will receive a biased response from those that can commit to navigate the complexity and nonsensical structure of the survey. And like the survey, this whole proposal feels unnecessarily complex and feels like it is adding layers of unnecessary bureaucracy rather than seeking to address better representation through the current model.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K102	Bournemouth Town	For answer 'a' through to 'e', I see no reason to establish another layer of local government for Bournemouth. Functions should remain with the Charter Trustees as required. This whole plan feels as if the proposal for Bournemouth Town is simply to group the rest of the town together, where there may not have been interest for a parish or town council. The name Bournemouth Town would suggest it covers the whole of Bournemouth, when it won't. The boundary seems odd as I currently elect BCP councillors in Talbot and Branksome ward, if the parish or town council is established, my ward is then split into two between Poole and Bournemouth town councils, which doesn't seem very joined up. Issues that could affect me nearby may then be being taken by a body that I am unable to vote for and the same the other way, which is why I thought BCP was formed, in order to have the local area together as one body for easier planning and execution of services. I object to paying even more money for a layer of local government when we currently have reduced service from BCP, yet the tax goes up every year. Relating to questions 'f', 'g' and 'h', it does not need 38 people, I would suggest no more than two councillors per ward if these proposals must go ahead.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K103	Bournemouth Town	g it should be a 38	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K104	Bournemouth Town	Have not read anything to suggest benefit of new parish or town councils of any kind in current financial environment.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K105	Bournemouth Town	Having gone through the merger of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole councils, I don't think we need the extra cost and bureaucracy of new Town/Parish Councils.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4

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K106	Bournemouth Town	Having read all the documents, I fail to see what benefits these 38 Councillors will add to their existing outstanding contributions, we are BCP. This divide and confuse will not help get things done!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K107	Bournemouth Town	I am against this proposal because of the additional tier of local government and additional cost involved	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 6
K108	Bournemouth Town	I am commenting on all of the draft recommendations ("a", "b" "c", etc). These proposed changes would constitute an unnecessary extra layer of local bureaucracy, and the services provided by the proposed new layer should be provided by BCP Council instead.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K109	Bournemouth Town	I believe the creation of parish councils to be totally wrong and a waste of money. It will cost residents more and it is reinventing the wheel of councils before being BCP. It is an utter disgrace.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
K110	Bournemouth Town	I can see no rationale for moving away from the current local authority approach which was only established in 2019 on the basis of rationalisation of services, the proposals do not set out what the benefit to local residents will be of the changes and why they should be supported. More work needs to be done on why this is a good option if you want support.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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K111	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with all of the above statements. This is unnecessary bureaucracy. Bournemouth Town would be far too big to have any "local" feel. The areas are disparate in terms of their amenities. The more picturesque parts would be made into new council areas. They would need to raise huge revenues to be able to tackle the areas that have been left to become rundown since the creation of BCP. The main council is in complete disarray. That needs to be sorted before any other "solutions" are proposed? 6 Years after merger, BCP still has far too many different IT systems that havent been amalgamated. Imagine the chaos of having even more different systems and workers with different responsibilities. Sort out Housing. Sort out Social Care. Sort out SEND. Then ask me again?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K112	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with all. It adds another layer of governance that Unitary authorities were set up ages ago to get rid of!!!! So it would be back to square one. I understand there is no spare money and local people would prefer better services for less not more local taxes. Too many layers of government further from the local people. Not necessary to have 3 or 4 !!! councillors per area. Better idea to have local ward assemblies that feed into BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K113	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with each of the draft recommendations. They represent no benefit to tax/counciltax payers in Bournemouth and Poole for an increase in both local tax and local bureaucracy. Council tax is currently capped by central government, but the parish precept is not limited in this way and could be increased at will. The merges of BCP provided economies of scale but there is no evidence of this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K114	Bournemouth Town	I DISAGREE with the formation of ANY additional layers of bureaucracy. It is only a few years since Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole were combined. That was to reduce duplication, rationalise services across all areas and to save costs. You are now proposing adding even more entities.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K115	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with the need for parish and town councils	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1

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K116	Bournemouth Town	I do not agree that any area requires a parish council. I believe that all functions should be carried out by BCP council. Anything more is an unnecessary complication and a waste of money. How are people supposed to know who does what? How can you ensure that the various parish councils act with any consistency?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K117	Bournemouth Town	I do not think we need a town or parish council. It would put in another layer of administration in which would be costly and unwarranted. Each parish would then need their administration and this would be a costly mistake.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 3
K118	Bournemouth Town	I do not want a vast Bournemouth Town council at all. But, if it is going to happen then there should be the opportunity for local areas to suggest their own parish council like the proposal for East Cliff and Springbourne council emailed in. Also, the number of councillors proposed for the East Cliff and Springbourne ward is far too low. There should be five at least.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7
K119	Bournemouth Town	I do not want extra unnecessary layers of Councils which have zero benefit. Adding new layers will create confusion on which Council does which job, it needs to be kept simple. We currently have one council which joined the town councils of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole to save money and make it more streamlined. Having multiple layers of council for each area will not help community cohesion.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5
K120	Bournemouth Town	I do not want to see additional layers of administration. BCP is fine and simple as it is.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K121	Bournemouth Town	I don't think Bournemouth should be split into pariah councils. This split seems very arbitrary and just lumping together what is left.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K122	Bournemouth Town	I don't see what benefit there will be by the introduction of a new layer of beurocracy.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K123	Bournemouth Town	I live in the Littledown and Iford ward. I think we will be very poorly represented in a Bournemouth Council parish. I think the majority of additional funding would go to the town centre and deprived areas and we would see very little/no benefit locally. We also probably identify more with Pokesdown and southbourne - this is our main local shopping area and beach (as well as Boscombe east) and use the town centre as much as anyone else from the south west of Bournemouth/BCP.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K124	Bournemouth Town	I object to the Parish Council Plans because it is not an improvement and would just add bureaucracy, costs and an increase to council tax. Creating 115 new councillors is unnecessary and the current system can provide adequate representation of Ward interests through the existing Ward Councillors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K125	Bournemouth Town	I oppose all the points of the draft, but chiefly point 'A'. I feel that the proposal to set up parish councils in the area will be a costly one. At a time when all households are already struggling with rising living costs, this seems like an unnecessary expense. It would no doubt be put onto the residents to fund. We are not interested in the parish councils being set up and do not understand what their purpose is. BCP council recently merged to be more centralised, this seems a step in the reverse direction which will confuse residents as to which authority deals with issues in the area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K126	Bournemouth Town	I prefer smaller parish / community councils. Bournemouth town council will be too big. The louder councillors will get too much say at the expense of others. How would the money raised in each area be spent? It will be too big and unwieldy and cost too much to run. The precept will be used for staffing costs and not for improving areas.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K127	Bournemouth Town	I see no need for more councillors at even more expenses for them to do nothing. I don't agree with the need for parishes.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K128	Bournemouth Town	I simply don't see the need for an additional layer of government. We already have far too May layers; this simply allows councillors to absolve themselves of their responsibilities by confusing where the demarcations between bodies will be. Quite simply this is a terrible idea, existing councillors should focus on delivering on their responsibilities, which they were elected to do in the first place. If they feel this is too much responsibility and they are unable to deliver on their commitments they should resign, and let others stand in their place.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K129	Bournemouth Town	I strongly disagree with all areas of this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K130	Bournemouth Town	I strongly disagree with all proposals for a bournemouth parish. The area is too big and would increase the council tax bill with little benefits for each area. I suspect most money would be put towards the town centre. I think the charter trustees should continue but if this is not possible then the area should be smaller and Kinson and Wallisdown and Winton west should be excluded.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K131	Bournemouth Town	I thought the whole point of BCP was to combine resources. Now that BCP exists, you decide to create more cost and creating more overhead. And how much would you charge residents for the privilege of diluting your responsibilities? Other town councils have seen their council tax go up BECUASE of proposals like these. If you have money to spare, by all means reduce the council tax burden. No? I thought not.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K132	Bournemouth Town	I was under the impression that BCP was created to join together Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, to save money, so why revert back to separate councils unless BCP is being dissolved. From what I understand that is not the case, just a further influx of councillors, council employees which will have to be paid . BCP is already financially in a mess, no funds for so many services, so the only way I can see that more people to be paid will be from a direct hit on the residents via council tax or even more cuts to services. And still no one will be accountable for their mistakes.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K133	Bournemouth Town	improve your own services first rather than creating new councils to do your job for you	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K134	Bournemouth Town	In relation to the whole proposal, I fail to see what benefits will accrue with the establishment of a Town Council for Bournemouth. The only reason given that as Poole Town has one, so Bournemouth also should. On the other hand, I can perceive several layers of bureaucracy, all costing extra money, and providing excuses as to why nothing is done as each tries to shift responsibility to the next. The whole idea of creating BCP was to integrate and produce cohesiveness that would be unravelled by a plethora of additional groupings and masses of extra councillors at more levels and costs.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K135	Bournemouth Town	Isn't this exactly why BCP was invented? To reduce duplication, economies of scale? Put this much effort into getting agreement to do something with old council property (Poole town hall) and stop thinking that changing boundaries is going to make any difference to day to day lives of residents and councillors. The latter will still have to put up with the electorate and have a thankless task. It makes me sad to think how much time has been spent on this when we have so many real problems to tackle. And less important ones, like why doesn't BCP appear to know anything about arborial management and horticulture?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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K136	Bournemouth Town	It is not long since the town councils were merged. I cant see the point of going backwards...incurring more costs and taxes to the residents	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K137	Bournemouth Town	It makes no sense geographically. It would just be another administrative layer that people don't understand or want.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K138	Bournemouth Town	It seems an unnecessary change when the proposed roles of the parish councils seem so small (as per the table included in the document). There is no clarity on how this will increase council tax, which is already high. The document lacks detail on what changes or benefits this will bring and talks mostly about boundaries. I've had no information provided by BCP council about this either through the door, email or adverts so it feels like it's being 'snuck in'. Surely a vote should be needed for this level of change?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K139	Bournemouth Town	It will cost additional unnecessary spending.....a thru to h	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K140	Bournemouth Town	Just duplication of what we already have. Complete waste of money and resources. If BCP is in so much debt, with the predicted deficit of nearly £100M, how can they think of wasting money on these schemes.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
K141	Bournemouth Town	Just wasting peoples time the Councilors you already have can't get anything done due to lack of funds.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5

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K142	Bournemouth Town	K-Bournemouth. I want the unitary authority to have compete autonomy without another tier of governance in the parishes. This will slow down decisions and add unnessary additional costs onto my council tax bill.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K143	Bournemouth Town	Looks as an extra layer for no benefit, no improvement of services but a confusion would come out of it...	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K144	Bournemouth Town	More councils equals more beauracy and wasted resources	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K145	Bournemouth Town	My comments refer to all proposals: All draft recommendations : I strongly disagree that there should be a new community council in this area for the following reasons a)The proposals have been put forward by a very small number of individuals on the task and finish group. b) Most residents do not even know about these proposals. They have not been democratically chosen. c) It will lead to artificial divisions between neighbourhoods depending on amount of precept charged if there are different councils. This will in turn lead to different levels of service, which will entrench difference and divisions instead of fostering collaboration within and between communities. e) It is not democratic, very few people have contributed to these proposals f) It will cost residents more in a time where many people can ill afford it. g) There are not likely to be many people who want to stand as councillors, leading to a deficit in democracy	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K146	Bournemouth Town	My primary concerns for Bournemouth are around the poor state of the town centre and the lack of initiative in recreating the kind of hub of social activity that Bournemouth was in previous years, and also the staggering cost of rent, which is so unfair on our young people, including 2 of my own children. I am unconvinced that creating parish councils, with the additional financial burden they will place on residents, will do anything to address these concerns.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K147	Bournemouth Town	No compelling reason to go ahead with change. Offers no advantage.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K148	Bournemouth Town	No need for another talking shop. Save money not waste it on another tier of administration	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K149	Bournemouth Town	No need for more councillors or town councillors. More red tape and more cost to residents!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K150	Bournemouth Town	Not that long ago the town councils for Bournemouth pool and Christchurch combined to become BCP, to save money. It seems a nonsense to create an additional level of administration below this to add additional cost and admin overhead unless you also plan to abolish BCP and go back to the three separate town councils.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K151	Bournemouth Town	Our area doesn't need another level of bureaucracy	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1

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K152	Bournemouth Town	Parish Councils generally attract Narcissists and mini Hitlers, who love the power and control, this position gives them in the community. Control over decisions and people that live in these areas. Procedure and following the system is everything, the end result is irrelevant. They have fragile egos and hate criticism. They are in control and you little people must go through me first, in fact, this whole community is under my influence and control.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
K153	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils represent unnecessary bureaucracy and are a waste of money.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
K154	Bournemouth Town	PLEASE KEEP CENTRAL BCP AS IT IS, NO NEED FOR EXTRA LAYERS,	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K155	Bournemouth Town	Re a and d - the parish council should not be created. It is a waste of tax payers money and adds unnecessary bureaucracy. Public funds are right enough and we should be reducing this bureaucracy not increasing it. I do not think the areas that do have these already get good value for the extra money they pay.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K156	Bournemouth Town	Setting up a new level of bureaucracy costs money and achieves nothing.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
K157	Bournemouth Town	Strongly disagree against any and all town and/or parish councils. If the central Local Authroity cannot function in its current format, then you must disband BCP and hand responsibility back to the separate localities. We are facing a cost of living crisis, and forcing more cost onto the rate payer, especially at a time where BCP has swindled and wasted millions, is a recipe for disaster. I will personally see that if this is forced through that you will see similar to the Poll Tax. Do not do this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K158	Bournemouth Town	Strongly disagree with having a second layer of local governance when the focus should be on making the unitary authority a cohesive and effective entity. Neighbourhood Forums should be supported and developed to give local input as required.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K159	Bournemouth Town	The Bournemouth Parish has two distinct areas - As per historically the town centre - East & West Cliff are predominately driven by Hotel and Tourism decisions that simply do not apply to the outlying districts. I do not believe that the decision process needs prolonging and fractured by parochial decision makers. I do not support Parish Councils for the comurbation - I believe it is a retrograde step.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K160	Bournemouth Town	The bureaucracy and cost of additional layers of local government should be avoided wherever possible.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K161	Bournemouth Town	The cost of a Town or Parish Council well exceeds the monies paid to the Charter Trustees. We pay enough now. Why would we want to pay more, and anyway why all of a sudden is it necessary to have a town or parish council. The Towncouncil was done away with in 2019. Was that a mistake?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K162	Bournemouth Town	The cost of all these draft recommendations is unnecessary given we already have people serving our areas working in precisely the same areas. The electorate will be so small in each parish and the turnout inevitably so low that it will not represent the full range of views and therefore offers no advantage over the existing situation. I am particularly concerned that small well organised organisations can secure 'power' in the face of widespread voters apathy.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K163	Bournemouth Town	The introduction of another tier of bureaucracy for the area is unwarranted, The principle criticism of BCP council is that it is too detached from "local" decision making and operations. To create a "Bournemouth Town council" , of this size , would be to create another tier that is almost as detached as the unitary authority. With no clear details of its remit , responsibilities , or budget , this would simply be to complicate further the areas governance , not to streamline it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7

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K164	Bournemouth Town	The last thing we need is another layer of local government, we have too much as it is.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K165	Bournemouth Town	The name of the council as BOURNEMOUTH is wrong. The assumption is that the parish councils proposed in the constitution above will be going ahead and "BOURNEMOUTH" will be the left over Wards. This will just break up the town of BOURNEMOUTH and prevent community cohesion. I cannot understand that anyone would think that creating all of these additional posts for PARISH COUNCILLORS with all of the extra admin this will create is a good thing. It's madness.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH10 7
K166	Bournemouth Town	The new council will be far too large and will incur costs that will feed back into an increase in council tax. It would be preferable for the situation at present to be retained where the local ward is more manageable and personable.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K167	Bournemouth Town	The propoza just adds more bureaucracy and complexity	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K168	Bournemouth Town	The proposed boundary is not logical and the areas covered have no connection to each other.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K169	Bournemouth Town	The whole concept of establishing wards within the BCP area makes a mockery of the unification of Bournemouth, Christchurch under one council, which I understood was to streamline local government. Before unification we had ample, effective and accountable councillors. Now the area is to be divided up and an unnecessary layer of beauty racy created.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7

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K170	Bournemouth Town	There is no need for another layer of government.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K171	Bournemouth Town	There is no reason to have another layer of bureaucracy in this area. BCP has Councillors who represent these areas. The different wards have very little in common such as Kinson and Muscliff have with Talbot & Branksome Woods/ Bournemouth Town Centre. This will be another cost on top of council tax and will include cost of elections.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K172	Bournemouth Town	This appears to be creating new jobs when there are already departments doing the jobs, or supposed to be. Keep it simple and make sure everyone is doing the job they have. Make managers responsible to jobs getting done, the whole idea of BCP was to get rid of the departments doing the same job, some of which are still there anyway. Make what is already there work properly.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K173	Bournemouth Town	This entire proposal is completely not necessary. It will simply result in huge increases to the community charge to each property.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K174	Bournemouth Town	This is a completely unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy and complexity.. not to mention cost on the local tax payer. This is not needed. BCP just need to step up and do their job. Stop being distracted with vanity projects that provide no tangible benefit to residents.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K175	Bournemouth Town	This is a nonsense and sticking to pre-BCP boundaries Kinson should be a separate parish/town Wallisdown, Talbot and Talbot Village (in "Poole Town" according to these proposals) should be a parish Westbourne should be a parish Winton East and Moordown should be a town	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH11 8

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K176	Bournemouth Town	This is an utterly arbitrary 'parish' created for convenience, not democracy. How this fulfils the government's vision of a parish council that will strengthen local identity and democracy is beyond me. It doesn't provide community cohesion, co-terminosity or reflect any particular characteristic of any of the areas included. This 'left over' part of Bournemouth does not in any way speak to the legislation that governs parish councils in its letter or spirit.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K177	Bournemouth Town	This is another level of Bureaucracy that is not needed. There will be a conflict of interests between the BCP Council and all the new parishes. I disagree with the recommendations. The extra staff and Councillors will add considerably to the Council Tax and Parish Councils are not limited to 4.99% annual increases.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K178	Bournemouth Town	This is simply an unnecessary additional [unknown] of governance; it will add nothing to local decision making or democracy. This is simply a showmanship.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
K179	Bournemouth Town	Too many layers! Parish, town and conurbation? Who does what, why do we need extra bureaucracy and paperwork!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5
K180	Bournemouth Town	Totally unnecessary expense	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K181	Bournemouth Town	Totally unnecessary extra bureaucracy. BCP council was established to streamline local administration and now you are wanting to add more layers blurring the responsibilities of the councils.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K182	Bournemouth Town	Unbelievable -we've been years joining up small local responsive councils into a monster (BCP) -now you're wasting money trying to slip in another layer of "democracy" costing more and achieving nothing other than giving BCP an escape route for things it can't cope with because of its remoteness.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K183	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary layer of local governance certainly dont want for Littledown	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K184	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary costs	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K185	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary duplication - case has not been made out for this change	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K186	Bournemouth Town	We already have a council responsible to the local electorate. A dilution of this responsibility is not required.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K187	Bournemouth Town	We do not need another layer of admin & expense.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
K188	Bournemouth Town	We do not need more local govt just better local govt. The proposals would make local govt, more bureaucratic, more complicated and more costly.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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K189	Bournemouth Town	We don't need more Councillors or another irrelevant level of administration. I have lived and worked in areas with and without Parish Councils and on the whole they are not necessary nor do they add much in value, jut another precept. I totally disagree with this and its a distraction	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K190	Bournemouth Town	We had a town council which was merged with those of Christchurch and Poole to form what can only be termed as the hopeless BCP Council, so why is it needed, unless BCP Council is going to be de-merged. We do not need another level of bureaucracy, and certainly don't need to be taxed further to pay for it. More bureaucracy, more cost, more inefficiency and corruption.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 3
K191	Bournemouth Town	We have been through a process of amalgamation (creation of BCP) to reduce waste, duplication and cost. I see no benefit from reintroducing another unnecessary bureaucratic tier for the future. The number of councillors per ward has been reviewed as a result of the previous process and determined adequate for the task. It is difficult enough o engage the local electorate in the current system and if you introduce more people to vote for they will become even more complacent.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K192	Bournemouth Town	we have enough council governance as a tri borough council (BCP) and do not need another level of governance.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
K193	Bournemouth Town	Wholly unnecessary extra layer of council. The cost will be prohibitive at a time that the council are already stretched financially. Much better to spend the money on other things	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
K194	Bournemouth Town	Why change for change's sake??	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K195	Bournemouth Town	a) Parish councils for BCP are a bad idea because it would be just another layer of bureaucracy that we would have to pay for.	Don't know/not sure	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K196	Bournemouth Town	No need for another level of bureaucracy. Present arrangements are adequate. Opportunities for consultation.	Don't know/not sure	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K197	Bournemouth Town	This plan will add an additional level of bureaucracy, with additional costs, that the area cannot afford	Don't know/not sure	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K198	Bournemouth Town	f - disagree strongly. The boundary between Moordown and Wallisdown/Winton West is clearly daft - Moordown St John's Primary school and Moordown St John's church should be in Moordown Ward!	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K199	Bournemouth Town	It is not clear aside from increasing council tax and creating more bureaucracy how this will assist and help the town: there appear to be bigger problems than creating more structures	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K200	Bournemouth Town	N/A	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K201	Bournemouth Town	Sensible proposals	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K202	Bournemouth Town	The problem with the Draft recommendations are their incredible inconsistency. Why should any comparably sized area be treated differently? Such a situation is inherently unfair and undemocratic. An argument might be made for treating 'rural' areas slightly differently if any can be reasonably defined within BCP but this seems unlikely.	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K203	Bournemouth Town	You had 3 separate councils, you caused staff working for those councils high amounts of stress, putting them through competition. No achievement has been made from BCP you can't just change your mind without acknowledging the damage you have done to those employed by the previous town councils or the residents of those councils.		Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
K204	Bournemouth Town	(a & b) Strongly agree – The entire Bournemouth area should be parished. Continuing with a Charter Trustee model creates a democratic and financial imbalance across BCP. Residents in Bournemouth pay for a Charter Trustee precept but receive only ceremonial functions in return—unlike residents in parished areas who benefit from fully empowered local councils. (c & f) Strongly agree – The name "Bournemouth Town Council" is appropriate, logical, and reflects historical civic identity. It supports continuity and public recognition. (d & e) Strongly agree – Bournemouth is the largest town in Dorset and deserves a governance model to match. A town council would enhance local accountability and enable targeted delivery of services, events, and support for community groups. (g, h & i) Agree – Warding arrangements and councillor numbers must ensure fair representation across a geographically and socially diverse town. Electoral equality and effective warding will be essential to the new council's credibility and functionality.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2

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K205	Bournemouth Town	(a) to (f) - I am very glad that the Overview and Scrutiny Board's cross-party working group put forward a suggestion for a Bournemouth Town Council. First and foremost this would displace the Bournemouth Charter Trust which, despite the well-intentioned efforts of one or two Mayors, has never been fully embraced by Bournemouth's populace. I get no pleasure from saying this, it is just how it is. Viewing figures for the livestreamed meetings seldom stray beyond two figures. The public galleries are invariably empty; if you were to ask a resident passing through the Square if they knew what the Bournemouth Charter Trust was, I expect they would say No. Meetings are sparsely attended by the trustees themselves and two trustees have exercised their right to be removed from that body. Much of this could be applied of course - mutatis mutandis - to the Poole Charter Trust, but Bournemouth is the town in which I lived for 40+ years and where I continue to work full-time, deliver talks and carry out my studies. The Charter Trust is constrained, moreover - severely constrained - in what activities it can offer, if the advice from Cornerstone Barristers received on 17 July 2024 is to be believed. The attraction of a Bournemouth Town Council is that unlike the Charter Trust it could perform a huge range of discretionary activities, including some which BCP Council, suffering from a deficit, is constrained from undertaking. A Bournemouth Town Council, charging the current precept of £2.27, would receive gross income of £226,367 per year even if Northbourne, Boscombe and Southbourne were to become separate parishes. That alone would easily fund a full-time clerk, hired premises, a Remembrance Sunday event (for which the Charter Trust budgeted £10,000 a year) and a few memorial benches. In practice what I suspect would happen is that areas with stronger senses of their own identity, such as Winton and Springbourne, would start pressing for their own parish status ahead of the next community governance review due in the 2030s. Were that in turn to succeed, the residuum of Bournemouth Town Council could lawfully be abolished as part of the same review and the archaic borough privileges incomprehensible to a modern populace quietly buried. There is, contrary to BCP's guidance paper, nothing to prevent geographic areas enjoying only one tier of local government, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Reading, and Cambridge being but four examples.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 2
K206	Bournemouth Town	A - it will be good to have local people having an input into looking after their local area	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5

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K207	Bournemouth Town	a I support the creation of a parish council for Bournemouth. It is not fair for community events in Bournemouth to be paid for by Christchurch residents (and Poole residents, if the parish council for Poole is approved, which I support) through their BCP council tax, when similar events in Christchurch (and Poole) would be paid for by the parish council. If BCP Council were to stop funding events in Bournemouth, then this would unfairly disadvantage Bournemouth residents unless a parish council is created which can run these events.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
K208	Bournemouth Town	again ab c as it is a twon I vist more than other	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
K209	Bournemouth Town	Again following on earlier comments I question having the seperate parish councils	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9
K210	Bournemouth Town	b - the area is too large. Kinson and Wallisdown should join with Northbourne	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
K211	Bournemouth Town	b) add Boscombe and Redhill f)g) and h) reduce the number of councillors to around 15	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
K212	Bournemouth Town	b) f) g) & h) A re-established Bournemouth Town Council should include Redhill and Northbourne thus re-creating the historic town and borough of Bournemouth. This is likely to maintain economic and cultural integration and equity throughout the whole town.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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K213	Bournemouth Town	b) The Bournemouth Town Council should include all areas that were included prior to BCP Council being formed.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
K214	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth needs representation at the parish/district level.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K215	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth should have a single parish council covering the exact boundaries of the former Bournemouth Borough Council.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1
K216	Bournemouth Town	F g h - why the district between Kinson and Mooredown excluded?	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K217	Bournemouth Town	f) The boundary and wards are too big and too many Councillors. Kinson looks like it is out on a limb. Would it be better to separate some of the wards from the main Town and make them a separate council. ie South and North.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K218	Bournemouth Town	Get rid of BCP council and leave just three separate, independent single tier authorities for Christchurch, Poole and Bournemouth.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
K219	Bournemouth Town	Having worked for local Government social services for many years before I retired, although I am for de-centralising, it is expensive to carry out (at the expense of vital services), and every time it happens, after a few years Councils decided to centralise again - at the expense of vital services.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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K220	Bournemouth Town	I think Town, Parish and Community Councils are a great idea and it would be unfair on Bournemouth Town to be left behind. Many of the issues which are talked about daily could be improved if not solved completely with an injection of cash annually from the precept, and from CIL and any other grants that could be applied for.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K221	Bournemouth Town	It is the responsibility of the current BCP Council to effectively govern the area. The introduction of Parish Councils will relieve BCP Council of significant costs but [unknown] other costs to council tax payers. I would not have objected if the council was covering the parish council costs.	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K222	Bournemouth Town	It will enable the Town Council to concentrate on matters that affect them like policing & ASB	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K223	Bournemouth Town	Its just too much extra bureaucracy and poor value for money	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K224	Bournemouth Town	Recommendation b: The proposed Town Council for Bournemouth is too large to be an effective local Town Council and too closely resembles the boundary of the former Bournemouth Borough Council. The proposed Town Council should be divided into a small number of more local Town Councils which more closely reflect local communities.	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
K225	Bournemouth Town	Support Bournemouth Town council a-g. This would bring more local democracy and focus on neighbourhoods, in a way the BCP is not able to do. Can support areas and services the BCP is having to withdraw from. h-i) less keen to support as 3-5 councillors per area / total of 38, is probably too many. Dropping one per ward would be total of 27, which feels a more manageable number, and more likely to see these filled.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3

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K226	Bournemouth Town	Thanks here	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K227	Bournemouth Town	There is a high number of councillors prescribed to wards. Some are unnecessary	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
K228	Bournemouth Town	These changes would be positive and appropriate for Bournemouth. These changes would help regenerate Bournemouth whilst ensuring that parish/ council funds are spent carefully with more scrutiny and involvement for Bournemouth residents and visitors.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
K229	Bournemouth Town	Though with less history, there are lots of issues that could be resolved for Bournemouth with a Town Council.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
K230	Bournemouth Town	(a) I really do not see the point of this expense proposal. Just leave the area as BCP. (f) The whole of Wallisdown has not been included. I live on the Poole side of Wallisdown Road close to the shopping area. My property has been included in the Alderney ward. I live nowhere near Alderney.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
K231	Bournemouth Town	(a) the establishment of a Bournemouth town Council just sets yet another layer of local council. The people of Bournemouth Christchurch and Poole can be represented by councillors on the main BCP council. there is no need for another layer of democracy. it will be a very expensive addition to the people of Bournemouth. This can be evidenced by what the people of Christchurch town Council have to pay.	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 3

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K232	Bournemouth Town	(F) I think Bournemouth is too big for town councils, Poole is also. The expense of all the town clerks, audited accounts, meeting rooms, equipment, cindumables, by elections just doesn't make sense so we can split the area into small groups to then disagree on boundaries, when all they will control is allotments, benches, and cementries. The bbc recently reported that all town councillors resigned in Yarm, one stating its due to a toxic atmosphere. I can see similar happening here if we get town councils, when the general public realise what little benefit they get for the money they contribute, social media will not be kind. I am yet to see a complaint online about how the cemeterues and allotments are run, so why should we spend all this money lol changing things no one is concerned about/are currently run well.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K233	Bournemouth Town	(g) Too large for a Parish Council.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K234	Bournemouth Town	[b] - if Bournemouth parish is to be created, it should cover the whole of the Borough of Bournemouth, rather than excluding Northbourne/Redhill, Boscombe/Pokesdown and Southbourne/Tuckton/Wick.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3
K235	Bournemouth Town	1. Concerns over boundaries. 2. Concerns of more levels of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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K236	Bournemouth Town	1. This is likely to suffer from the same democratic deficit of existing parish councils - abysmally low turnouts and uncontested elections. Both are deeply undemocratic. It would be more democratic for BCP Council to continue to perform the functions that this proposed community council would perform and for the BCP Council ward councillors to represent their residents through BCP Council and its processes. 2. The absence of Southbourne, Boscombe and Pokesdown, and Redhill and Northbourne also makes little sense - how can there be joined-up thinking and economies of scale for Bournemouth if three of its key areas are managed by entirely separate parish councils?	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
K237	Bournemouth Town	a - disagree with whole concept, extra cost and bureaucracy	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 0
K238	Bournemouth Town	A drain on public funding and no substance offered for improved services. Disgusting proposal and massive waste of resources. Secutary of state has been emailed on the fiasco.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 7
K239	Bournemouth Town	a The case for change has not been made. I am not been given the information to judge whether the proposals are worth it because (1) the proposals don't set out how governance will be more effective. (2) the cost is not known. I am not against higher local taxes, so long as they result in better outcomes	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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350	K240 Bournemouth Town	A to H . a) We do not support the draft recommendation to establish a Bournemouth Town Council for the remainder of the former borough. While we recognise the intention of ensuring consistency across the BCP area, the current proposal lacks both a clear purpose and a meaningful community mandate. There were no substantive community submissions calling for a Bournemouth Town Council. It was introduced by the Task and Finish Group, not by residents or local forums, and appears to be based on administrative logic rather than grassroots demand. A number of councillors even expressed opposition to the concept, and to date, the proposal remains unfocused, undefined, and untested in terms of practical benefit or democratic engagement. In its current form, the Bournemouth Town Council proposal lacks a coherent identity or shared vision. It does not reflect the distinct character of the communities it would serve, and we believe such a structure risks replicating the limitations of the former Bournemouth Borough Council — being too large to effectively represent local interests at the parish level. Separately, we are concerned by statements made in public meetings suggesting that Boscombe and Pokesdown could be included in this proposed Town Council by default, should our community council proposal not be successful. If Boscombe and Pokesdown were to remain the only unparished area, and therefore the only reason for retaining the Charter Trustees, it has been implied that it might be absorbed into the new Town Council structure to enable the Trustees to be dissolved. This approach would be deeply problematic. We are not being directly consulted on whether we want to join the larger Bournemouth Town Council, and there is no democratic mandate for such an inclusion. Forcing Boscombe and Pokesdown into a structure it has neither requested nor supported — particularly when a separate, community-developed proposal exists — would be undemocratic and contrary to the principles of good governance. We therefore: Oppose the creation of a Bournemouth Town Council in its current form, due to lack of purpose and community support; Strongly oppose any future inclusion of Boscombe and Pokesdown in such a council by default; Urge the Council to treat the Boscombe and Pokesdown Community Council proposal on its own merits, and to ensure no governance changes are made without explicit consultation and consent from our community.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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K241	Bournemouth Town	a too h. Confusion reigns. It is not long since the Bournemouth Council with Christchurch and Poole were united into one Council for good solid reasons. To now create a Bournemouth Council is absolutely bonkers. It makes Councillors who take these decisions look ridiculous which in turn causes the electorate to take little interest in local government. Who do the electorate turn to - Parish Councils - Community Councils - Town Councils or BCP Council? It all sounds like a skit for a Monty Python film.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K242	Bournemouth Town	'a' unnecessary additional level of Govt	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
K243	Bournemouth Town	A&B To be honest, I don't really see the point of the proposed Bournemouth Town Council. The area it covers feels far too large and oddly shaped, and I can't imagine how a single body could meaningfully represent such a wide range of communities with so few councillors. In practice, I think the diversity of those areas would get lost, and the outcome might be no better — or even less effective — than what BCP Council is already doing. As someone who lives on the edge of Southbourne and Boscombe, I'd be especially concerned if either of those areas were ever brought under the Bournemouth Town proposal by default or through a lack of local representation. Both have strong, distinct identities and deserve their own dedicated attention. A blanket council for the whole of Bournemouth doesn't seem like the right fit — it feels like it would dilute local voices rather than strengthen them. For me, any local governance should be about giving people more of a say in the places they live and work — not rolling them into a one-size-fits-all structure that risks missing the details that make each area special.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3

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K244	Bournemouth Town	a) Disagree with an extra tier of Local Government having had reorgansiations in 1997 and 2019. b) Extra tiers of Authority results in additional bureaucracy, duplication and cost. c) This leads to residents effectively paying twice for the same services d) Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions e) The total cost of local government can be expected to be higher in authorities with the additional tier of Town/Parish Councils f) Having sought to delayer local authority provision in 1997 and 2019 within BCP localities, for economy and efficiency reasons, the logical approach is to delayer not create additional layers of local authority	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
K245	Bournemouth Town	a) It an unnecessary level of beauracy and an informal council parish council could be created under the existing charter system g)-h) The number of councilors should be less than present BCP councilors supprting the area - 10-14 should be enough if any	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K246	Bournemouth Town	a) It seems rather unwieldy to lump all the other areas of Bournemouth in one town parish, and I am concerned that this will create some disparity within the conurbation, pitting this dominant parish against other smaller parish councils.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K247	Bournemouth Town	a) we don't need another layer in the local government system b) This is not the whole of Bournemouth - see a and c c) It is not Bournemouth, just a slice of Bournemouth d,e,f,g,h - see reasons above	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K248	Bournemouth Town	a, b,c,d, e, f, g, h My belief is there is not an appetite for a Parish or Community Council in Bournemouth as a whole and this CGR has generated a consultation to choose one or another. Instead I am of the opinion if to 'do nothing at all' was an option in the consultation then the majority of the consultation responses would be in favor of a 'change is unnecessary' response.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2

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K249	Bournemouth Town	a, d I disagree. Town and Parish councils should be removed as they add an unnecessary layer of councils for no added benefit. Equivalent roles and clear departmental structures already exist under BCP so these should be given the full remit to improve their own services, with existing precept payments being absorbed into these departmental budgets. Ward councillors already provide the representation to ensure community views and cohesion are considered in council decisions.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
K250	Bournemouth Town	'a', 'd' More layers, more bureaucracy, more delays to implementing any initiative. Why create BCP to remove duplication just to devolve responsibility? 'g', 'h' Is the 38 in addition to the 76 BCP councillors? Why not concentrate on improving BCP services rather than shifting responsibility to a lower level.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
K251	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c As a resident of Bournemouth I think the town should not have a new parish/town council - there should not be new councils set up at extra cost, where there would be no benefit & possible increase in council tax	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K252	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c BCP needs disbanding and Bournemouth needs to become an independent town	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
K253	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d and any other. Another layer of bureaucracy is not required in the BCP area. There is no rush to make a decision today or next year. If any party has reason to believe Community Governance is needed that subject can be part of the manifesto at the next local elections in May 2027.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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K254	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d,e,f :- The creation of parish councils is adding another layer of bureaucracy to the unitary authority of BCP which the bringing together of the 3 councils said it would avoid. We have local councillors that are elected to represent the views of the area they are elected too, and therefore this additional layer will add authority to those who are elected to represent our areas to the large unitary authority	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K255	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h There is no need for further levels of administration. You haven't shown how this would benefit the local population or BCP as a whole. It just seems to be a way of diverting work from the existing council, making their lives easier at the expense of everyone else. We need a breakdown of cost benefits before something like this is proposed	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
K256	Bournemouth Town	a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h why are you wasting so much money putting extra layers of mismanagement in place so soon after forcing the three councils together allegedly to save money	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K257	Bournemouth Town	a. Disagree. Reasons: 1.Highly divisive action across BCP, promoting different levels of service throughout the conurbation. 2. Unnecessary additional level of bureaucracy 3. Resident confusion as to which councillor to contact, i.e one of the BCP ward councillors, or one of the 38 proposed parish councillors. 4. Confusion as to who is responsible for services. 5. Confusion as to who is accountable for services. 6. Additional cost to residents without any clear advantages 7. Overall lack of resident support for the proposal which is considered to be unnecessary. 8. Contrary to the aims of Local Government Reform objectives to produce savings and efficiencies via consolidation of area services and organisations. 9. Promotes division between the BCP community.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5

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K258	Bournemouth Town	a. No one asked for a council with this boundary. It doesn't make any sense in terms of community. The argument that Bournemouth has to have one if Poole has one, is not a good reason. All of the areas who have shown an interest in parishing have been excluded from this proposed council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
K259	Bournemouth Town	a: We had a Borough Council, before a great deal of money was wasted in becoming BCP Council. Alot of distress was caused to employees and there is still buildings being unused due to the changes. Whichever employees keep suggesting these changes should not receive bonuses, promotion etc. We have several parishes within the old borough and to call Bournemouth a parish is crazy	Disagree	Throop & Holdenhurst	respondent living outside proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K260	Bournemouth Town	Abolish all parish councils across BCP, and certainly do not set up any new ones. Stop wasting council tax funding on additional levels of governance that is not required. What tangible value for money to they actually provide, zero. BCP has a number of problems (poor road infrastructure/congestion, roads full of pot holes, a huge homeless and drug/alcohol abuse problem, not enough public services [schools, hospitals, GPs, NHS dentists] for all the new housing estates that are being built) and BCP council what to use council tax funding which could be directed to those issues, to set up Parish Councils who would more likely be made up of old, straight, white, able bodied men, who do not reflect the diversity of the area. BCP have almost bankrupted themselves, implemented ill thought out Green policies/legislation, so we don't need more of the same.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
K261	Bournemouth Town	Again what a joke. The money wasted and incompetence is shocking though not surprising. Stop wasting money.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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K262	Bournemouth Town	'a-h inclusive' Do you seriously consider that BCP's Stage 2 proposal for Bournemouth Town Council, of 38 councillors representing an electorate of 100K in 11 wards is deliverable? In what would be a start-up situation, with zero members, zero officers and zero funds, is this really feasible? From what I have read, the Local Government Boundary Commission (LGBC) recommendation is a maximum of 25 councillors for a large Town Council. As an example, Weymouth Town Council, created at the same time as Christchurch, has responsibility for a wide range of services, a huge budget and operates with the requisite 25 councillors. The current proposal to roll out the same 'Mop up Town Council' solution, which was imposed on 10s of 1000s of people in Christchurch in 2018/19, across Bournemouth and Poole needs to be considered very carefully before being implemented. This time around, 100s of 1000s are going to feel the impact and when in place, a large Town Council is virtually impossible to remove. Councillors can 'sow the seeds' and 'sell the benefits' but the push and enthusiasm should be from bottom up, not top down. The final decision should come from the people. If there is any evidence of the outcome being little more than self-serving for councillors, plans should be abandoned The repercussions of a CGR are not easy to understand. There has been a lot of 'selling of the benefits' in the Council's promotion of this process but nothing has been said about the practical issues and difficulties surrounding local governance at this level, when it is on this scale. When residents have not requested any community-based changes, lack of engagement should not be considered acceptance of draft proposals. In the best interests of democracy and the community, Officers and Members should only interpret & act on data/input received. Otherwise, they are imposing their ideas/wishes on residents and householders are picking up the cost. Under a CGR banner, BCP Council is proposing to bring together widely varying communities to create a town council, rather than recognising areas with a cohesive identity to create parishes within the established Charter Trust areas. Has the creation of Parish Councils under the Charter Trustees for the three areas where there is obvious support for a local voice (LGBC Para 134) been considered and dismissed? These being Southbourne, Redhill & Northbourne and Broadstone, It is less clear where Boscombe & Pokesdown currently stand on this issue. From what has been said in Full Council meetings, it seems at some time there was support for a community council for this area. Hopefully, feedback from the Stage 3 process will resolve this matter. This leaves Poole, where surely those calling for a Town Council should have been encouraged to produce a more viable solution, centred around the old town, the quay	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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		and appropriate outlying areas, rather than mopping up everywhere other than Broadstone into one Council. The additional £2.00 per annum payable to the existing Charter Trustees, by each of households in the new parishes, is insignificant, given the opportunities that will open up to those who genuinely want a community parish council. Finally, if there is no statutory requirement for this CGR, and any suggestion of political motivation is to be quashed, the fundamental question which needs to be answered is 'Why Now?'					
K263	Bournemouth Town	a-h See my comments on Poole Town Council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
K264	Bournemouth Town	A-h) Council tax should be reduced and services improved	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1

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K265	Bournemouth Town	All - it is wrong for there to be any additional councils / councillors in any region. The current councillors of BCP have confidently put themselves forward to be voted in to run the local area based on the situation as it currently is / was, so now is the time to step up and put their money where your mouth is and solve the problems without causing more for the local residents. It would be highly inappropriate for this council to move the goalposts half way through their (massively underwhelming) term and create new entities. It's clear that given the appalling behaviour of the controlling alliance, that the move would purely be a vehicle to hack off the services that cannot currently be 'afforded' and all of these white elephants would be passed on to the new 'councils' at which point BCP would claim that they are in a great place whilst the new councils would be failing. I also have no doubt that the councillors and in particular the leader of BCP would constantly throw mud at the new entities and blame them for the inevitable shortcomings. The divisive nature of the Liberal Democrats in particular as well as the rest of the Three Towns Alliance means that nothing positive is ever achieved as they are too busy shirking accountability and blaming everybody else for their many failings. Any new council would also have the partisan issues that plague BCP Council and it isn't right at all.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K266	Bournemouth Town	All . yet another tier of bureaucracy with additional cost which is unnecessary. I thought the majority of councils already do not have enough money. ~God help us!	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K267	Bournemouth Town	All. Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional beaurocracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
K268	Bournemouth Town	All: There are already too many layers of governance and councilors, it is already very difficult to get proper decisions made in a timely manner without adding further layers of governance and cost. If anything the existing system should be thinned down to streamline processes and enable progress.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1

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K269	Bournemouth Town	Another layer of bureaucracy money added to council tax better spent on dealing with crime and social housing	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
K270	Bournemouth Town	As above for Poole	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
K271	Bournemouth Town	As before (all) Creates extra and costly bureaucracy.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
K272	Bournemouth Town	As stated before we need to live within our means and sta as we are till our finances are in a better place and think again	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
K273	Bournemouth Town	As with Poole I don't agree it makes sense for Bournemouth to have a town council. Whilst I live in Poole I used to work in Bournemouth, and still visit regularly being halfway between Bournemouth and Poole town centres. If brought in I would have no vote to provide democratic input to Bournemouth Town Council, despite decisions being made there impacting my life. This was one of the benefits of BCP that it recognises the Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch connurbation functions as one.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K274	Bournemouth Town	BCP already has a set of councillors and we are paying for them and the staff required. There is a clear priority on the B portion of their focus already and therefore Bournemouth does not need it's own Town Council as well at further expense. Christchurch and Poole are needed as protection for the local areas and community.	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2

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K275	Bournemouth Town	BCP Council is already the democratically elected local authority responsible for these areas, with 26 (!) ward councillors who are directly accountable to residents. This structure ensures that local issues are represented without creating additional layers of bureaucracy or confusion. The current system works and already provides residents with accessible representation and a route to influence local decision-making. Introducing a parish council would duplicate responsibilities, add unnecessary complexity, and risk creating confusion about who is accountable for what. It would fragment governance and dilute the clarity of local democracy at a time when we should be aiming for more coherence and transparency, not less. Moreover, parish councils bring with them additional financial burdens. While not required to raise a precept, in practice they often do, as they can do little without one. This would result in higher council tax bills for residents in Bournemouth at a time when the cost of living is already a serious concern. Council tax is a regressive tax, and adding further charges would disproportionately impact those least able to pay. Establishing a parish council also risks entrenching inequality. More affluent areas may be able to raise higher precepts to fund better local services, while less affluent areas would struggle to keep up, undermining fairness across the wider community. BCP was created to unify our area, deliver services efficiently, and speak with one voice. Fragmenting that structure through new parish councils runs directly counter to its founding purpose. Bournemouth does not need a parish council—it needs to remain part of a strong, unified BCP working together with the wider BCP community to build a fairer, more cohesive future.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
K276	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth does not need a town councils as well as BCP. The voter numbers per town councillor are so small that student votes might have a disproportionate effect, even though they're typically not resident for the whole year.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
K277	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth doesn't need a Parish Council.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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K278	Bournemouth Town	Comment: a. Strongly oppose the establishment of a Bournemouth Town Council. The proposal to introduce a Bournemouth Town Council is unjustified and unnecessary. This idea runs counter to the core principles behind the formation of BCP Council in 2019, which was to consolidate local government, reduce administrative duplication, and provide more efficient services for residents. Introducing a third tier of governance in Bournemouth will only complicate this structure, not improve it. The Charter Trustees already serve the purpose of maintaining Bournemouth's civic and ceremonial traditions. Creating a Town Council is a duplication of governance, adding layers where simplification was the original aim. Key reasons for opposition include: No public demand or justification: The report itself acknowledges that no public submissions were received in favour of a Bournemouth Town Council (Section 8.6). The idea has been artificially introduced "just in case" – not as a response to any community call or identified governance gap. This is a solution in search of a problem. Increased tax burden without proven benefit: Town councils are funded through council tax precepts. The current Bournemouth Charter Trustee precept is just £2.27 per Band D household. Creating a Town Council will inevitably introduce a much higher charge. As highlighted in Section 5.5 of the consultation document, town councils across the region currently charge anywhere from £27 to over £260. This is money out of residents' pockets for services already managed by BCP Council. Discretionary, not essential services: As outlined in Section 5.4, the services a new council could take on are entirely discretionary, most of which are already being effectively handled by BCP. Establishing a Town Council for non-essential services at additional cost is fiscally irresponsible, especially during a time of ongoing public service pressure. Governance confusion and fragmentation: Creating new councils for Bournemouth and Poole risks uneven service provision, conflicting accountability, and disjointed representation. This is the very inefficiency the BCP unitarisation was designed to eliminate. The introduction of town councils will dilute rather than enhance effective governance. Unwarranted disruption: BCP Council is still maturing as a unified authority. It makes no sense to derail that process by re-fragmenting the governance model less than a decade later, especially when there is no electoral or democratic mandate to do so.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
K279	Bournemouth Town	Councillors elected to become one making bcp. We do not need more councillors	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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K280	Bournemouth Town	Do not create this council	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
K281	Bournemouth Town	Give Poole Town back the £10million you stole from us and repair our town centre	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
K282	Bournemouth Town	I am commenting on all of the draft recommendations.We do not need parish councils as the newly combined BCP council should be fulfilling any and all of the sections proposed in the draft.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
K283	Bournemouth Town	I am happy for the existing parish councils to continue but disagree with the creation of any further parish councils being created within the BCP Area. The whole point of having a unitary authority was to have economies of scale with fewer staff and less costs. Why spend more money on a local government tier that has very limited power? It's just another layer of bureaucracy and cost.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1
K284	Bournemouth Town	I am opposed to the introduction of Parish Councils in principle. Parish Councils will exacerbate the older unbearable inequality in the UK and in the BCP conurbation.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4
K285	Bournemouth Town	I believe the recommendations For Bournemouth are not value for money. I didn't his current situation. I believe the money it would be well spent putting back into the local area than wasting it on more highly paid Counsellor who do not listen to the people.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K286	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with BCP making any more changes to the structuring of local government - combining Bournemouth Poole and Christchurch was too costly and no changes should be made until after the next general election.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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K287	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with the continuation of current parish, community and town councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish, community or town councils in BCP. All services and democratic processes should be done through BCP Council and no Council tax precepts should be put in place.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
K288	Bournemouth Town	I do not agree that we should have any town/parish councils. If BCP it too large, revert to 3 separate councils agin.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
K289	Bournemouth Town	I fail to see any benefit to this proposal, just additional complications and cost and levels of management.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1

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K290	Bournemouth Town	I strongly disagree with proposals a) and b) that a council with these boundaries be established within Bournemouth. I disagree with splitting up Bournemouth into smaller town councils. Bournemouth has long been made up of many communities all with a shared identity of being part of Bournemouth. We use green spaces, shopping districts and facilities across all of Bournemouth, not just in a particular area. We care about, and are affected by, the whole of Bournemouth's beach & seafront, transport networks, schools & colleges, parks and our town centre, not just the bits closest to us. We should be able to have a voice in decisions affecting the whole area we live in, not be excluded from decisions that affect us. Creating new local government boundaries drawing lines between our areas will formalise and over time reinforce differences between communities, reducing community cohesion. Also, splitting us up into smaller councils with different levels of council tax precept will reinforce inequality within our community. I believe we should be lifting each other up rather than caring for just our own neighbourhood and not the rest of Bournemouth - this doesn't help the wealthier areas in the long run either. The future of Bournemouth Town Centre, or our seafront, matters to us all, wherever we live.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K291	Bournemouth Town	I will take A to H as a whole. I strongly disagree with the creation of a town council for Bournemouth for the same reason as objecting to a Poole Council. It is another layer of bureaucracy and expense for residents. Not one of my residents have indicated they are in favour, quite the opposite. both of my large residents groups are against, the Bournemouth one is Talbot and Branksome woods residents assn, with over 1,500 Members. The proposals split my ward of Talbot and Branksome woods, dividing an established community and weakening democracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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K292	Bournemouth Town	I) The council was strained int, so the creation of another layer of governance and more councillors will only add to confusion as to who is responsible for what. The council should concentrate on ensuring they carry out the services to the best standard with the decision makers already in place. BCP was supposed to make things simpler - things don't need to be made more complicated	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K293	Bournemouth Town	It seems that the creation of the BCP council has resulted in equalities for councillors and residents. Ideally, to reduce overheads, I would supprt one council for the main BCP conurbation and only outlying areas having a parish council. Generally, if local government overheads could be reduced, more funds could be directed towards improving the declining public services in the BCP area.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
K294	Bournemouth Town	Just a stupid idea	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K295	Bournemouth Town	Just another layer of bureaucracy that will require additional funding to establish and maintain.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 8
K296	Bournemouth Town	More unnecessary bureaucracy and cost to local residents.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K297	Bournemouth Town	My objections to a Bournemouth Town council are broadly similar to my objections to a Poole Town council. It is too big.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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K298	Bournemouth Town	No comment	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K299	Bournemouth Town	No need to create yet more levels of complexity and costs	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
K300	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils are an unnecessary administrative tier. They result in additional costs - without value for money - for council tax payers.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K301	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils are an unnecessary level of governance as the services they will provide are already covered by BCP. If we need Parish councils to have our community listened to, then maybe BCP should be disbanded instead and go back to individual town councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
K302	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4
K303	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils are superfluous	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K304	Bournemouth Town	Recommendations a to h refer to the creation of a new parish. I disagree with setting up any new parishes.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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K305	Bournemouth Town	Should be an independent council as previous to 2019 with inclusion of Redhill & Northbourne, Boscombe and Pokesdown, and Southbourne.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
K306	Bournemouth Town	Strongly disagree - complete waste of time and money. Will lead to unnecessary layers of bureaucracy, which will confuse residents. We do not need more councillors, with the added cost this will bring. It will add an extra burden to the council tax payer when many people are struggling with the cost of living, to pay for service that BCP Council should already be delivering. Why should we pay twice for the same services. BCP was formed to bring legacy council together to make vital savings - this proposal is just going backwards and recreating a larger, more cumbersome service structure	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1
K307	Bournemouth Town	The creation of a Bournemouth Town Council would make a mockery of the recent reorganisation of local government arrangements and the formation of BCP. Had the case for a town council been put forward at that time then it may well have weakened the case for the new three Council authority.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K308	Bournemouth Town	The current system, for all its failings, can provide adequate representation of ward interests through existing ward councillors. We do not need more local government we just need better implementation of the current system so it works better for council tax payers. Keep the current Charter Trustees please. If the proposed changes are effected 45 new councillors would be needed for the BCP area plus the additional cost of more accommodation and salaried personnel to support them. (The cost of this community consultation has already accrued £100,000). The size of the new Poole and Bournemouth Town councils will make them 2nd and 3rd largest in the whole of the UK. I disagree very strongly because I do not think they will be a benefit but will do harm.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K309	Bournemouth Town	The existing Council should spend time, effort and money on improving services and efficiency for the benefit of the local Taxpayers. Adding more layers of confusion and creating more inefficiency is not what we need. Improving the existing council is needed more than the proposed idea.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5

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K310	Bournemouth Town	The idea of a Bournemouth Town Council that only covers a small part of Bournemouth is confusing and ridiculous. I prefer the submission 38 that Bournemouth Town Council covers the area currently covered by the Charter Trustees of Bournemouth.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
K311	Bournemouth Town	The ward is too big and splits my current ward into both Poole and Bournemouth	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
K312	Bournemouth Town	There is insufficient information to be able to make an informed decision on any of these draft recommendations. There is no indication of what services will be provided via the new parish/town councils. There is no indication of the total costs involved in setting up these parishes/councils, nor of the level of precept, nor of the possibility of precepts being increased well above the capped level of council tax. There is no indication of the need for a clerk to the parish/town council, nor of the salary that this would incur. Whilst the expectation is that parish/town councillors will be appointed on a voluntary basis, there is no means of preventing them from voting to make salary payments out of the precept. Divisions into parish/town councils across the conurbation is likely to increase differences in levels of provision.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
K313	Bournemouth Town	This extra layer of local government will be useless and powerless but will put up council tax.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K314	Bournemouth Town	This feels totally unnecessary - its just another layer of bureaucracy - if BCP worked well it would not be necessary at all. Please dont do this. There is plenty of stuff that needs to be done without creating things to do that dont add any value.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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K315	Bournemouth Town	This is an outrageous cost to our community, especially after everything was already set up similar before you changed to BCP. STOP wasting money and make do with what you have already done. Going backwards is ripping out our purse strings yet again.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
K316	Bournemouth Town	This is much too big for a town council	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2
K317	Bournemouth Town	This proposal , as with that for Poole , is simply an attempt to re-establish a town council for Bournemouth , as is totally contrary to the defined parameters of this Community Governance Review The increase in Council tax to accommodate a further 38 local councillors will be huge and totally unwarranted Further , with these "town Councils" having to report and consult with the overarching BCP (which will likely have to report a Regional Mayor) will only add to the delay ; cost and a host of demarquation disputes regarding services	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K318	Bournemouth Town	This represents another layer of bureaucracy throughout the area with additional costs. We have only just got rid of the 'original' layers of local government at considerable cost (although it was sold as a cost saving). Now you intend to set up all these additional layers. It implies the original decision was wrong - we end up paying for your mistakes!!!	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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K319	Bournemouth Town	This whole thing is wrong! I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost. The timing of this consultation is so wrong costing in excess of £100k when money could have been better spent. I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys' . . . Or should I say girls in this instance! This survey and completing it is so very onerous. That too is disgusting and it's obviously relying on people to not bother giving their views as it's too difficult DISAGREE	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K320	Bournemouth Town	This would be a very large area compared to the other proposed parish councils. BCP was formed for very sound reasons, including economies of scale. I cannot see any sensible purpose in creating a further level of bureaucracy at greater cost to the residents.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K321	Bournemouth Town	To all, see my previous comments about Redhill and Northbourne. And unless the formation of a Town Council will somehow magic up some more money, and better ideas of how to revive the town centre (Which BCP should already be concentrating a good bit of time and resource on), then what would be the point?	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
K322	Bournemouth Town	Too large.	Disagree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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K323	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH14 8
K324	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary layer of bureaucracy. Too many members of the electorate required to elect a councillor compared with other proposed parishes therefore undemocratic.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K325	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary level of bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
K326	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary levels of Council duplication in various levels	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
K327	Bournemouth Town	unnecessary unwanted vanity project	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH15 2
K328	Bournemouth Town	Unnecessary.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K329	Bournemouth Town	Waste of time and tax payers money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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K330	Bournemouth Town	We already have too many layers of council administration and councillors	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K331	Bournemouth Town	We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes! They should control their funds instead of going into huge debt & asking schools to subsidise their debt. The system needs to be simplified NOT further complicated. Further councillors means more expensive council tax for NO PURPOSEFUL REASON- just more people doing a bad job. This is an unnecessary cost for zero benefit.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K332	Bournemouth Town	We should not be adding extra layers of governance and bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K333	Bournemouth Town	We've only just joined together as bcp are you now saying this was a mistake? this is an extra layer of cost and we cannot afford all these councillors	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
K334	Bournemouth Town	You are simply adding another layer of beurocracy which is both costly and inefficient. The costs of Christchurch have proven that this model does not improve output, efficiency or user satisfaction.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K335	Bournemouth Town	Don't know how much value is added to the community by Parish councils	Don't know/not sure	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1

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K336	Bournemouth Town	You didn't let us vote to combine 3 town councils, now you want to divide them and likely charge us more tax. No. If you want to divide then give us back the three separate town councils.	Don't know/not sure	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH17 7
K337	Bournemouth Town	b. Bournemouth Town should be the town only not outlying areas as in Christchurch.	Neither agree nor disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
K338	Bournemouth Town	Cost of new council	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K339	Bournemouth Town	It is not for Electoral Services to comment on these questions	Neither agree nor disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K340	Bournemouth Town	It makes no difference, as the council do nothing about the heroin addicts shooting up outside Asda, the police don't care and do nothing	Neither agree nor disagree	Respondent from outside BCP	respondent living outside proposal area	West Purbeck	BH20 5

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K341	Bournemouth Town	I might be swayed to approve if it meant that are food bin would be emptied regularly, but as this comes under BCP this situation will not be improved.		Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K342	Bournemouth Town	The fact that the will be no limit on the council tax charge means that any discretionary spending will be loaded onto the new town council. So we will end up with more waste and councillors and more council tax, albeit under some other name. The efficiency savings of joining the three councils together are far from clear and this just highlights that all politicians really want is more places for more politicians. I sincerely doubt that the pool of people who will sit on these councils will be any different from the pool that the current BCP draws from. This is just a money grab. The fact that FAQs say these no chance not to do this shows there is no real consultation, this will be driven through regardless.		Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K343	Bournemouth Town	A clear line of responsibility established to ensure the council is fit for purpose and acts on the wishes of tax payers.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K344	Bournemouth Town	Could Bournemouth Town Council include the whole of the Charter Trustees for Bournemouth area, to bring the whole of Bournemouth together as one?	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K345	Bournemouth Town	I am concerned about the disparity in ratios of electors to councillors across the whole of the BCP area. Some parishes appear to have much larger numbers of electors per councillor and this does not seem equitable.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K346	Bournemouth Town	I think the draft recommendations will go a long way towards restoring local democracy in Bournemouth, but I think that the inclusion of Kinson, Wallisdown, Moordown, and Winton might be doing a disservice to those communities as they have a definite identity separate from that of Bournemouth. Winton had a council with urban district status before it was merged with Bournemouth, and Kinson had a separate parish council as recently as the 1930s.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4

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K347	Bournemouth Town	I would like to see improvements to Bournemouth town centre	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K348	Bournemouth Town	Kinson should be moved to the Redhill & Northbourne ward as issues local to Kinson would more likely affect the Redhill & Northbourne area as well.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
K349	Bournemouth Town	Merge with Redhill and Boscombe, halve the number of councillors	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 7
K350	Bournemouth Town	More powers should be delegated to parish council. As much as possible away from the corrupt BCP	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K351	Bournemouth Town	No	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K352	Bournemouth Town	No.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K353	Bournemouth Town	None	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K354	Bournemouth Town	We need an overall plan with guidelines as to what type of property and shop fronts should be allowed. It's become hotchpotch and low standard , counter productive to generating a successful place to live and do business. This needs to area specific otherwise we are forgotten.	Agree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K355	Bournemouth Town	(a) I see absolutely no need for another level of local government. Cumbersome and will add to cost. We used to have area associations with regular meetings which were interesting but of no use in transmitting local views to the Council. We already have local councillors to whom we can communication views, complaints etc.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9

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K356	Bournemouth Town	1. Conflict of interests by councillors - particularly if unopposed. 2. Lack of expertise on infrastructure etc. 3. Lack of accountability - particularly if councillors are appointed rather than elected.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K357	Bournemouth Town	All covered by my answer in 16.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K358	Bournemouth Town	All the services identified 'as such' are currently funded and delivered by BCP. Should these proposals be implemented the outcome will be an extra level of local government, increased confusion as to whom is responsible for which service and a significant increase of administrative cost (1%) for no actual public benefit. It is for BCP to improve the quality of its statutory services, not to delegate them!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 9
K359	Bournemouth Town	Any council for Bournemouth should include a all parts of the town including those that have separate proposals within this consultation e.g. Southbourne and Boscombe.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K360	Bournemouth Town	Any substantial changes to the proposals presented here must be consulted on again. I would be more supportive of Springbourne joining Boscombe & Pokesdown Community Council than the current Bournemouth Town Council proposal	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K361	Bournemouth Town	Any such change in local government as big, and potentially costly as this, should be put to the vote by the electorate. I only heard of this change from word of mouth by other concerned residents and as such, nearly missed out on my chance to have a say. Nothing was advertised or put through our door. This feels like an attempt to push through this change quietly without opposition.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K362	Bournemouth Town	As above	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K363	Bournemouth Town	As above	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6

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K364	Bournemouth Town	BCP Council is already responsible for the duties and responsibilities that will be duplicated by the proposed town council. There is no value added and no obvious benefits to local residents or BCP as a whole but plenty of reasons why it is unnecessary to stretch the already underfunded resources we already have. The cost will yet again fall upon local council tax payers to fund this unwarranted scheme. Existing resources should be used to improve and enhance access to all current BCP services which it already delivers for all residents. To me this smacks of someone's expensive vanity legacy project ad there is no local demand for it in this area. Just providing stationery, admin support and office space and equipment for these proposed town and parish councils will cost money - I'd rather it was spent on delivering services, sorting out children's play areas, reducing anti social behaviour and improving the environment.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
K365	Bournemouth Town	BCP Council should concentrate on the urgent need for regeneration of Bournemouth town centre and stop trying to create more levels of administration. Have the Councillors nothing better to do?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K366	Bournemouth Town	BCP council would be fine if money not diverted disproportionately to statutory responsibilities and a focus given to providing for all residents	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K367	Bournemouth Town	Bonkers idea!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7
K368	Bournemouth Town	Calling Town Council Bournemouth Town makes no sense when some parts of Bournemouth have there own Parishes.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K369	Bournemouth Town	Do not need	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K370	Bournemouth Town	Don't do it!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2

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K371	Bournemouth Town	Don't do it, you spend far too much of our money on fancifull useless schemes as it is	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K372	Bournemouth Town	Don't do it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
K373	Bournemouth Town	Don't do it. No interest.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K374	Bournemouth Town	First and foremost. What was the point of creating BCP council only then to massively increase the number of councillors and bureaucracy which this crazy scheme will entail. I am also led to believe that there will be a precept charge added to what is already a massive council tax bill, for which we get dreadful roads, poor drain and street sweeping and general malaise of our town.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K375	Bournemouth Town	Forget the proposal.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K376	Bournemouth Town	Have ward area assemblies. Advertise BCP more. This survey was tucked away in a corner in Charminster library easily by passed. Improve connections with local areas and people. The current council staff could respond to emails about road safety and speed issues, environment ideas. often contact made falls on deaf ears so responding would be nice. Have meet the Council coffee events. Basically be Bournemouth Council as was, but better, within the BCP amalgamation	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K377	Bournemouth Town	Having an extra layer means residents don't know who to complain to re services and both councils can blame each other.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
K378	Bournemouth Town	I am concerned this process is being used to transfer BCP assets to a level of government. Under-resourced local town and parish councils will not be able to deliver the quality of service required and will create unequal provision across the conurbation.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K379	Bournemouth Town	I am not prepared to pay more for this. As it is we pay far too much council tax for a failing town. We already have local councillors who we are unable to see as they don't hold meetings. Waste of time all of them	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K380	Bournemouth Town	I am wholly opposed to the proposals for the detailed reasons stated in my submission dated 9 June 2025.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K381	Bournemouth Town	I believe we should be allowed to set up our proposed neighbourhood schemes. If this is not an option we should be allowed to be a parish in our own right with east cliff. The areas of a 'Bournemouth town' parish are far too diverse to be bracketed together and I feel we would be over looked with the work we are already doing costing far too much to tax payers with zero return	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K382	Bournemouth Town	I have nothing further to say.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K383	Bournemouth Town	I remember the 3 town councils and how difficult it was to get things done. This feels like going backwards but with more councils in place, making things even more complicated and difficult to gain agreement. Why? Argue the case better if you think this is a good idea. What are the expected outcomes for local residents and on what basis do you think they will be delivered. Other councils with parishes' are trying to collapse the, because they do not deliver!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K384	Bournemouth Town	I should like to see efforts to make the current council work more efficiently rather than introduce an additional tier.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 6
K385	Bournemouth Town	I want more focus on the town centre and building affordable homes as priorities. Council tax in this area is already high	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K386	Bournemouth Town	I would like the proposals and costs made more available to all residents by post so they have the opportunity to give views and or object and I think this should be done before any decision is made - I only found out through a conservative leaflet - BCP themselves should be sending letters and or leaflets I out not assume people will look at thier website and fill i. This survey - to be truly democratic it should be put to a public vote -	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K387	Bournemouth Town	I would like to see any spare cash spent on addressing infrastructure issues such as potholes and the redevelopment of derelict retail areas. The local authority should also support pro-active policing to reduce drug dealing, other antisocial behaviour and petty crime which plagues my locality, rather than 'rearranging the deckchairs on the Titanic'. If money has to be spent on yet more re-organisation of local govt. I would prefer to see the establishment of an elected mayoralty to improve accountability rather than subsidising cliques of local busybodies to argue about bus shelters.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
K388	Bournemouth Town	I would like to see BCP get on with doing the job they are designed to do and stop coming up with ways take more money out of the pockets of ordinary Bournemouth folk.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8
K389	Bournemouth Town	I would like to see such proposed changes promulgated more actively, but perhaps the BCP council discourages active discourse, participation and democracy.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K390	Bournemouth Town	I would like to see the elected Councillors and the appointed Officers spending their time on constructive and practical matters rather than navel gazing and theoretical abstractions, seemingly designed to raise taxes and add to bureaucracy, while Bournemouth is falling apart.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K391	Bournemouth Town	idk	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K392	Bournemouth Town	If it is agreed to form a Poole Town Council, it would be a nonsense for there not to be a Bournemouth Town Council, although I disagree with both.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K393	Bournemouth Town	If our existing ward councillors on BCP council are doing there jobs well, none of this is necessary at all. It's not that big an area to need another layer of people than already exists to manage it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
K394	Bournemouth Town	If this proposal is felt absolutely necessary, why not go back to have Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch as it was?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K395	Bournemouth Town	If you do go zhead they all need to be of z similar size. This just re creates bournemouth z total waste of time	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
K396	Bournemouth Town	Improve especially Bournemouth town centre without creating another level of politician. We really don't need any more.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K397	Bournemouth Town	Instead of creating new Councils to do the jobs for BCP Council, BCP Council need to improve their own services.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5
K398	Bournemouth Town	It is a waste of time, either cancel it or do it properly and redirect control from the main council, reducing its size to let parishes take over.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K399	Bournemouth Town	It is not needed. With Graham Farrant retiring we have a perfect opportunity to do some joined up and collaborative work with all the departments in the council rather than adding more issues for the future.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 3
K400	Bournemouth Town	It is only trying to copy the template of Christchurch having parish councils when BCP was created. The parish councils had their own financial resources which did not form part of the BCP pot of money.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
K401	Bournemouth Town	It would be a absolute disaster to have another layer of snouts in the trough. Monumentally stupid idea.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K402	Bournemouth Town	It would be better if Bournemouth could be split into smaller parishes. As a minimum there could be a North Bournemouth Parish and South/coastal Parish.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K403	Bournemouth Town	Keep as is it, as one BCP responsible for all its services.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K404	Bournemouth Town	Keep things as they are. Change only costs more and for people on limited incomes we cannot afford to pay more.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K405	Bournemouth Town	My impression based on discussions, review of social media, comments on articles etc present a very clear consensus on perceived issues in the area (declining businesses, overpriced parking, homelessness, safety, lack of funding with 'all the money spent on cycle lanes', cancelled air show and so on). The effort to set up and liaise with a new layer of bureaucracy, coupled with a dilution of responsibilities doesn't address any of these.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K406	Bournemouth Town	Neighbourhood Plans Draft Recommendation Document @ 5.7 states " all functions listed in paragraph 5.4 except for allotments are discretionary." 5.4 shows Neighbourhood Plans as Statutory. This is INCORRECT and misleading as most people will look at the table for information (Gunning Principle).	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K407	Bournemouth Town	No	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K408	Bournemouth Town	No	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K409	Bournemouth Town	No change from the present arrangements, please.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K410	Bournemouth Town	NO CHANGES NECESSARY	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K411	Bournemouth Town	No need to increase just make sure that you have the best resources and use them.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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K412	Bournemouth Town	No, other than to say that this seems to go against everything we were told leading up to the formation of BCP, to have one local authority, to save costs and be more efficient and joined up. If we now need to have this other layer of local government, then BCP did not need to form and we should have stayed as separate unitary authorities. We didn't require a parish council when we just Bournemouth Borough Council, so why now?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K413	Bournemouth Town	No.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
K414	Bournemouth Town	No. My feelings above are very clear and I shall not be paying additional council tax if this goes ahead when the majority of the electors have expressed they do not want this	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K415	Bournemouth Town	Not really sure of the benefit of going down this process . It would result in another 115 new councillors and associated costs	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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K416	Bournemouth Town	Not wanted by residents. Too big an area - left overs. I support genuinely local, community-led models of governance — where change is driven by residents and rooted in neighbourhood identity. That's not what I see with the current proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council. It feels imposed rather than supported. Here in East Cliff and Springbourne, we've already spent over two years working towards a Neighbourhood Forum and Plan under the Localism Act 2011. This process has been collaborative, inclusive, and reflects the specific needs and aspirations of our diverse community. I believe this is the right model for us — one that gives residents a real voice in planning, local priorities, and investment, without adding unnecessary layers of bureaucracy or cost. Strong local governance should grow from the ground up — shaped by those who live, work, and care about the area — not handed down from above. I remain committed to a resident-led approach and believe our existing path through Neighbourhood Planning offers the best opportunity for meaningful local empowerment. --- STATEMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE CONSULTATION Cllr Sara Armstrong – East Cliff & Springbourne I support genuinely local, community-led models of governance — where change is driven by residents and rooted in neighbourhood identity. That's not what I see with the current proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council. It feels imposed rather than supported. Here in East Cliff and Springbourne, we've already spent over two years working towards a Neighbourhood Forum and Plan under the Localism Act 2011. This process has been collaborative, inclusive, and reflects the specific needs and aspirations of our diverse community. I believe this is the right model for us — one that gives residents a real voice in planning, local priorities, and investment, without adding unnecessary layers of bureaucracy or cost. Strong local governance should grow from the ground up — shaped by those who live, work, and care about the area — not handed down from above. I remain committed to a resident-led approach and believe our existing path through Neighbourhood Planning offers the best opportunity for meaningful local empowerment.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K417	Bournemouth Town	Once the government has completed it's latest round of local government reorganisation then this should be revisited particularly as we do not know whether the national government as part of the efficiency reorganisation my abolish them nationally	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1

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K418	Bournemouth Town	One expects the people running BCP to be accountable to the voters. Those working for BCP to do their jobs.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K419	Bournemouth Town	Parish Councils are a wasteful extra layer of bureaucracy. The budget for our Parks department, for example, has been cut every year for over a decade. So how can a new parish council create additional income?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K420	Bournemouth Town	People are trying to circumvent the elected authority to suit their own politics	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 1
K421	Bournemouth Town	Please advertise this level of change more clearly and get the residents to vote	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
K422	Bournemouth Town	Please do not change the current situation. You will merely be burdening people with unnecessary expenditure. My worry is that the matter has been put out for consultation but the outcome has already been decided.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K423	Bournemouth Town	Please do not do this to us. These minor councillors will be petty dictators playing at god.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K424	Bournemouth Town	Please do not undermine the responsibility of the current Councillors by giving them, and the Parish Councillors, an opportunity to operate a blame game for inaction. It will become even more of a political football if the persuasion of the respective tier elected members is of opposing colours!!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K425	Bournemouth Town	Please don't do it	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Kinson	BH10 5
K426	Bournemouth Town	Please see above.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2

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K427	Bournemouth Town	PLEASE USE £19.9M GRANT FROM THE GOVERNMENT WISELY - INCREASE HOSPITAL AND WALK-IN CLINICS STAFFING; REMOVE BEGGARS NEAR SHOPS, FINE OFFENDERS WALKING VICIOUS DOGS TO THE PUBLIC SPACES.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K428	Bournemouth Town	Poor.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K429	Bournemouth Town	Scrap the proposals	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
K430	Bournemouth Town	See above	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K431	Bournemouth Town	See above. Stop wasting my money, you work for me.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Moordown	BH9 2
K432	Bournemouth Town	Someone responsible for getting the best price - it is well know you can charge the council what you like as no one questions the amount, get discounts for regular use etc. Be careful with our money and don't waste it.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K433	Bournemouth Town	Strongly disagree against any and all town and/or parish councils. If the central Local Authroity cannot function in its current format, then you must disband BCP and hand responsibility back to the separate localities. We are facing a cost of living crisis, and forcing more cost onto the rate payer, especially at a time where BCP has swindled and wasted millions, is a recipe for disaster. I will personally see that if this is forced through that you will see similar to the Poll Tax. Do not do this.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K434	Bournemouth Town	Surely this defeats the premise of the amalgamation to form BCP Council and creates a more unwieldy bureaucratic structure. Wouldn't it be better to work on making improvements to the existing structure than trying to change it again	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K435	Bournemouth Town	The Charter Trustees for Bournemouth was only established in 2019 and should continue as such.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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K436	Bournemouth Town	The area currently has a successful local governance model in the form of the Queen's Park & Charminster Community Forum. It is an existing, grass roots, community group, operating according to the Localism Act (2011), with well-defined boundaries that have been consulted on. The boundaries include our green spaces, retail centre, heritage buildings and residential neighbourhoods. Considerable time, effort and expense has been put into the development of a draft Neighbourhood Plan that will be going out for consultation shortly. This will make the forum a statutory consultee for planning decisions and secure additional CIL funding at the closest point to where development takes place. While a town council could co-opt the Neighbourhood Plan, without a forum to ensure continuity we would fear that it would fall by the wayside at the end of its five-year term and not be renewed. The forum also operates a community charity which has been able to secure nearly £100,000 in grant funding in the past year. These funds are being used to repair, regenerate and upgrade our playparks, green spaces and recreation offers, as well as launching community initiatives to tackle fly tipping, graffiti and more. The forum works at the most granular community level for practically no cost to residents, without the need for expensive administration, additional council tax precept or a new layer of elected bureaucracy. The currently proposed Bournemouth Town Council was not arrived at by consultation from the communities within that area, instead it seems to be acting as a kind of "catch all" for the areas of Bournemouth that sit outside the community generated proposals from the first round of consultations. No submissions were made from our area and there remains no appetite for parish councils in this part of Bournemouth. We would urge the administration to allow our successful model of community governance to continue to deliver for its community and not be subsumed into a town council that is not supported by the residents who live here.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 8

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K437	Bournemouth Town	The current structure of local governance should remain in place. Communities are already represented by their elected Councillors. Those communities that wish to have greater autonomy can undertake neighbourhood plans or set up parish councils themselves. There is also a lack of information to make an informed decision. For example, the monetary implications of such a change (both to set up and to implement longer term) in terms of impact on Council Tax fates both now and in the future are a valid consideration ie payment for councillor roles and expenses. This needs to be clearly conveyed and in the absence of this the process cannot be considered transparent. There is a lack of clarity over the process – could elected Councillors be parish councillors.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K438	Bournemouth Town	The existing structures you've got in place with Bournemouth and Poole, the secondary layer underneath which by the sounds of it are currently only ceremonial, could be broad in their purpose in times of representations and engagement. The establishment of a whole new parish and town structure, which in language alone feels out of date and irrelevant to our area, particularly since BCPs in inception, feels like a really misguided proposal that only really makes sense to those that are lost in the depths of local government.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K439	Bournemouth Town	The proposals are unnecessary, costly and provide NO advantages to BCP residents. BCP should concentrate on fulfilling its responsibility, without attempting to increase already high local taxes by stealth. An admission that the creation of BCP was a mistake.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9

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K440	Bournemouth Town	The proposals for separate community councils for several parts of the former borough of Bournemouth (Redhill, Northbourne, Boscombe, Pokesdown, Southbourne) result in this proposal feeling very much like "the leftovers" rather than a cohesive whole representing a community. I appreciate that the intention behind proposing a "Rest of Bournemouth" structure is to provide parity with those areas that have requested parishing, but unfortunately I don't feel that this proposal would achieve that. Rather than the new town council representing a recognisable community, it would be made up of fairly disparate separate areas of our large town, partly separated by other smaller community councils. The result would be a very odd authority that was trying to meet the needs of, for example, Kinson and the town centre at the same time - two very different communities with very different needs. I believe that successful parishing of Bournemouth needs to take one of two approaches - either the WHOLE of Bournemouth should have a single town council, or the town should be split into sensible and recognisable, smaller community councils. The current proposal falls between two stools and makes no sense, especially since the Bournemouth Town Council proposal has no clear public support.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 1
K441	Bournemouth Town	The whole ill thought out idea should be forgotten. It cannot be justified on grounds of democracy or a need for improved governance. Also BCP Council should be looking to limit increases to council tax rather than introduce a further cost element to its residents. If despite objections the Council decides to take this proposal forward then the proposed Bournemouth Town Council area is far too large. In particular the eastern part comprising Littledown and Iford (where I live) has little or no affinity with areas such as Kinson, Wallisdown, Winton etc. We are much closer to Pokesdown and Boscombe and Southbourne areas where we shop, socialise, volunteer and generally interact. Accordingly, if this proposal does go ahead the parish/town councils should be of more equal size and reflect the relationship between areas and their residents.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6

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K442	Bournemouth Town	There is no need for more bureaucracy and the blurring of responsibilities	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K443	Bournemouth Town	There seems to be no compelling reason, in all the documents and videos, for creating another layer of government.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K444	Bournemouth Town	These proposals are clearly unnecessary and are designed to obfuscate responsibility and add cost for the taxpayer.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Queen's Park	BH8 9
K445	Bournemouth Town	These proposals hack off the "nice areas" and leave the less affluent/ less beautiful areas all lumped together. It feels like I am being "partitioned"! The Councillors will be overwhelmed in terms of the voters they represent. The outlying areas do not need to become new council areas. It will lead to yet another tier of social inequality in this area.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
K446	Bournemouth Town	Think residents should be asked again if they want a smaller parish council. Not enough people knew about it. It was rushed through	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K447	Bournemouth Town	This is not needed. No local taxpayers are asking for additional costs/council tax raises involved in parish council creation! Please stop this nonsense.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
K448	Bournemouth Town	This whole scheme has been very poorly publicised, and obviously a lot of money has been spent preparing it. I feel this consultation is far from democratic.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7
K449	Bournemouth Town	Totally unnecessary.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K450	Bournemouth Town	Turnout for local elections is already poor, I foresee that parish councils would be even less attractive to voters.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K451	Bournemouth Town	Unacceptable.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7

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K452	Bournemouth Town	Unecessary layer of local governance	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K453	Bournemouth Town	We do not need more staff, wages & admin. BCP is already nearly bankrupt. Don't add to the problem!	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
K454	Bournemouth Town	We do not need parish councils as well as BCP. That is unnecessary, costly and would lead to certain matters not being considered by either.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K455	Bournemouth Town	We have just had a major change in 2019, let's give it a chance to bed in and work.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
K456	Bournemouth Town	We just don't need any more "councillors" (overheads)	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
K457	Bournemouth Town	We need parish councils or BCP, not both	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
K458	Bournemouth Town	Why bother, the only advantage is to the BCP Council who will be able to shed some fiscal responsibilities and charge a supplementary rate to run the parish councils.	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Winton East	BH9 2
K459	Bournemouth Town	You have indicated the Town Councillors will have very little "powers" apart from consultations on bus stops and something else. What are they doing, apart from a talking forum?	Disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
K460	Bournemouth Town	BCP council should do what the taxpayers want them to do i.e restore the prosperity of the area and reverse the decline in public services, the transport system, law and order etc	Don't know/not sure	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
K461	Bournemouth Town	I am not sure of the background to this draft. Is BCP not serving it's residents as it should, or equitably? Overall I like the idea but I'm not clear on what the benefits would be.	Don't know/not sure	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1

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K462	Bournemouth Town	A further level of inconsistency exists in the recommendations by the inclusion of Town Parishes. In many cases smaller parishes are recommended within the historic towns of BCP. The recommended Town Parishes seem to be a mopping up of areas which are not recommended for smaller parishes, with absolutely no logical basis. This is most particularly evident in Bournemouth,.	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
K463	Bournemouth Town	I would ideally like the process of planning permission to be kept simple and low-overhead - adding extra layers of local curtain twitchers to the process isn't going to help anyone.	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
K464	Bournemouth Town	N/A	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K465	Bournemouth Town	No	Neither agree nor disagree	Bournemouth Town	respondent living in proposal area	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
K466	Bournemouth Town	You won't listen		Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
K467	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth central ward is a center for shopping, work and entertainment and recreation for the whole conurbation and beyond. All wards should have a say on its future. Badly needed is a bus station. Please reserve a site Triangle or Westover road? It should provide protection from rain and wind, seating, information/tickets and toilets and possibly a refreshment concession. It need not be an eye sore. I have been continental [unknown] with extensive tree cover.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K468	Bournemouth Town	As the new Bournemouth Town Council will take over some/all areas currently mismanaged by BCP Council, an increase in Council Tax should not be necessary.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
K469	Bournemouth Town	b) add Boscombe and Redhill f)g) and h) reduce the number of councillors to around 15	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9

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K470	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth must not be left behind. Without a town council: Bournemouth would be the only major area in BCP without full local governance powers. Residents would continue to pay for a Charter Trustee body that lacks operational effectiveness. There is a real risk of disparity in funding, representation, and service delivery when compared to Poole, Christchurch, Southbourne, and other parished areas. This review offers a vital opportunity to modernise Bournemouth's local democracy, reduce unnecessary costs to taxpayers, and put residents on an equal footing with their neighbours. A well-structured town council—appropriately staffed and supported—would also create capacity for delivering community-driven initiatives, managing local spaces, and facilitating a strategic neighbourhood plan.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2
K471	Bournemouth Town	Get rid of BCP council and leave just three separate, independent single tier authorities for Christchurch, Poole and Bournemouth.	Agree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
K472	Bournemouth Town	Good luck	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K473	Bournemouth Town	If it would improve the area around the centre then yes. I understand if a Town then there would be a Mayor.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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K474	Bournemouth Town	If this happens I just hope it isn't a lot of talking about reorganisation and fuss but a way to actually get things done by people who understand the local area. Most things take too long or after a planning stage just never happen. I live in Boscombe...it was being regenerated before 2030..... Is anything actually happening ? Not really and its 2025 already! Please just get on with this if it is going to happen.	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K475	Bournemouth Town	Money should come from existing funding	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K476	Bournemouth Town	No.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1
K477	Bournemouth Town	Nothings thanks	Agree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K478	Bournemouth Town	please let's have the gardens back how they use to be not the Christmas Wonderland but the frames with candles in the Jar	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
K479	Bournemouth Town	The benefits to the Town would be immense and I am disappointed that all Ward Councillors cannot see that a Town Council would be a good thing. Replacing the Charter Trustees with a Town Council and increasing the precept which is already being paid to the Charter Trustees, would enable much more investment in the Town and in Community Groups, sports clubs, play parks etc.	Agree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K480	Bournemouth Town	The changes proposed would be beneficial and appropriate.	Agree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
K481	Bournemouth Town	The issue of twinning must be made a remit of the town council	Agree	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH18 9

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K482	Bournemouth Town	The merge has had a huge financial burden on Poole without advantage to Poole. The creation of councillors places further burdens.	Agree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
K483	Bournemouth Town	The population is too large for One Parish and could have been sub-divided. While it will be Bournemouth Town Council - the area of the Town Centre is remote for some of the Wards. In fact, they have their own centres of identity. Quite suitable for Parishes of their own. This is a political rush job.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K484	Bournemouth Town	Yes. As Chair of the Boscombe and Pokesdown Community Forum, I wish to express concern over the process and underlying assumptions that have shaped the draft proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council. While the intent to ensure parity across the BCP area is understandable, the proposed Bournemouth Town Council lacks a clear identity, defined purpose, or community mandate. It has not emerged from a public movement or neighbourhood-based advocacy, and as such, it feels imposed rather than organic. There has been no meaningful consultation on how such a town council would operate, what it would deliver, or how it would engage residents. A council of this scale risks duplicating the former Bournemouth Borough Council, rather than creating a responsive, community-focused structure. We are also concerned by the risk of Boscombe and Pokesdown being drawn into this model by default, should our separate community council proposal not proceed. This was stated as a possibility during a public meeting of the Forum, in reference to the issue of Charter Trustees — namely, that Boscombe and Pokesdown might be the only unparished area, preventing the Trustees from being dissolved. This is not acceptable practice. Our area should not be absorbed into a much larger structure simply to resolve an administrative gap — especially when there is no consultation asking us if we wish to join the proposed Town Council. We therefore request the following: That the Bournemouth Town Council proposal be reconsidered unless it can demonstrate genuine community demand and a clearer governance rationale. That any future inclusion of Boscombe and Pokesdown in this structure must be subject to separate, transparent consultation, not imposed by default. That the Council continue to support smaller-scale, community-led governance, such as the proposed Boscombe and Pokesdown Community Council, which has emerged through years of resident engagement and aligns with the principles of neighbourhood democracy.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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		Ultimately, the governance model for Bournemouth must be shaped not by administrative convenience but by community identity, local involvement, and democratic legitimacy.					
K485	Bournemouth Town	6 years ago bournemouth council was merged with poole and christchurch, on the grounds of efficiency. What has changed over the last 6 years to mean that governance needs to change	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K486	Bournemouth Town	A drain on public funding and no substance offered for improved services. Disgusting proposal and massive waste of resources. Secutary of state has been emailed on the fiasco.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 7

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K487	Bournemouth Town	Abolish all parish councils across BCP, and certainly do not set up any new ones. Stop wasting council tax funding on additional levels of governance that is not required. What tangible value for money to they actually provide, zero. BCP has a number of problems (poor road infrastructure/congestion, roads full of pot holes, a huge homeless and drug/alcohol abuse problem, not enough public services [schools, hospitals, GPs, NHS dentists] for all the new housing estates that are being built) and BCP council what to use council tax funding which could be directed to those issues, to set up Parish Councils who would more likely be made up of old, straight, white, able bodied men, who do not reflect the diversity of the area. BCP have almost bankrupted themselves, implemented ill thought out Green policies/legislation, so we don't need more of the same.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 8
K488	Bournemouth Town	All of the draft proposals should be rejected.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K489	Bournemouth Town	All. Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional beaurocracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Hamworthy	BH15 4
K490	Bournemouth Town	As 20 above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
K491	Bournemouth Town	As above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
K492	Bournemouth Town	As above.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1

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K493	Bournemouth Town	BCP unitary authority, amalgamating Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth, was supposed to improve transparency, costs and bureaucracy. Creating parish/town councils will be adding another level of unnecessary bureaucracy and cost with no tangible benefit and worse accountability. BCP has just appointed a new CEO; consideration should be given to allowing this person to attempt to improve the current running of the unitary authority before any changes are implemented. No decisions should be made before 2027 and then only following a referendum.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
K494	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth should go back to being its own council and remove all powers over Poole and Christchurch.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
K495	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Town does need a lot of attention but this does not need to be via a town Council. BCP should be able to do this without setting up a Town Council.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K496	Bournemouth Town	Council tax should be reduced and services improved	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
K497	Bournemouth Town	Disagree with the draft recommendations for Bournemouth for the following reasons: a) Disagree with an extra tier of Local Government having had reorgansiations in 1997 and 2019. b) Extra tiers of Authority results in additional bureaucracy, duplication and cost. c) This leads to residents effectively paying twice for the same services d) Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions e) The total cost of local government can be expected to be higher in authorities with the additional tier of Town/Parish Councils f) Having sought to delayer local authority provision in 1997 and 2019 within BCP localities, for economy and efficiency reasons, the logical approach is to delayer not create additional layers of local authority	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
K498	Bournemouth Town	Do something about the sad state of Bournemouth town centre instead of wasting money on Parish Councils.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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K499	Bournemouth Town	Don't do it, waste of money.	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
K500	Bournemouth Town	Double bureaucracy costs extra because the different layers have to communicate	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
K501	Bournemouth Town	Focus on getting existing people to do the jobs that they are paid to do effectively.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K502	Bournemouth Town	Give Poole Town back the £10million you stole from us and repair our town centre	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 1
K503	Bournemouth Town	I agree with ward boundary changes to reflect the numbers of voters within wards and prevent electoral imbalances.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K504	Bournemouth Town	I am opposed to the introduction of Parish Councils in principle. Parish Councils will exacerbate the older unbearable inequality in the UK and in the BCP conurbation.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4
K505	Bournemouth Town	I believe it is very challenging to find a good solution for Bournemouth, because unlike Poole, residents don't feel that there is any threat to the identity of their town. For this reason, many Bournemouth residents will look at this review in a very different way to Poole residents and I feel that it is important that we respect this difference, when deciding on a solution.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
K506	Bournemouth Town	I disagree with the continuation of current parish, community and town councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish, community or town councils in BCP. All services and democratic processes should be done through BCP Council and no Council tax precepts should be put in place.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4

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K507	Bournemouth Town	I think instead of trying to create several large councils all at once, BCP should support smaller areas to develop parish councils more gradually and organically, where there's real local interest and momentum. That way, the structures that emerge would be more rooted in each community's actual needs and identity, rather than imposed from the top down. My concern is that this process feels rushed, and there's a risk it's being driven more by BCP's financial pressures than by the aspirations of local people. It's important that any changes to local governance are about giving residents a stronger voice — not just finding new vehicles to shift costs onto communities. Let people come together and build what makes sense for them over time. That's how real civic engagement happens — not by doing it all in one go.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 3
K508	Bournemouth Town	I think the social spaces are wonderful in Bournemouth, especially the gardens, clean beaches and roads. All I can suggest is making volunteering easier as I would happily help clear leaves from the pavements for example if I had a way of disposing of them.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K509	Bournemouth Town	Ideally another solution should be found to the issues raised by the Poole Charter trustees. Having only relatively recently merged the Bournemouth and Poole councils to save money, this seems to be a retrograde step	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Heath	BH17 9
K510	Bournemouth Town	If a council for Bournemouth is a good idea, let's scrap BCP and put things back the way they were.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K511	Bournemouth Town	Include the whole of Wallisdown so that it comes under Bournemouth Council, not Alderney Ward..	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
K512	Bournemouth Town	It should NOT go ahead	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
K513	Bournemouth Town	It's an unnecessary layer of Bureaucracy which entails additional costs	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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K514	Bournemouth Town	Just as above	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Hamworthy	BH16 5
K515	Bournemouth Town	Leave things as they are as despite the hollow words from BCP council, this is clearly going to end up costing residents money that simply cannot be afforded in a cost of living crisis. If the current incumbents are unable to work within the constraints as they currently exist, then they should resign en masse and make way for competent people who can. This is nothing but a transparent vehicle to screw the local residents. You say that there will not be any additional cost, but that is a blatant lie. You will bring in a precept to begin with and that will go up and up and up year on year , totally unchecked and the people of the BCP region will be the ones to pay for it. It's unacceptable that you would do something like this without a referendum (which you clearly won't as you already know what the outcome would be and you don't like listening to people who disagree with you). BCP Council is a repugnant organisation, badly run by incompetent councillors with no honesty, integrity or decency. You are an embarrassment to the local people and you should be totally and utterly ashamed of yourselves (but I doubt you have the decency to feel that way either). Shame on you all.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K516	Bournemouth Town	Less bureaucracy and transparency is required from BCP with more action from those already elected, not more	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	West Southbourne	BH6 5
K517	Bournemouth Town	No	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K518	Bournemouth Town	No	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K519	Bournemouth Town	Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH1 4

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K520	Bournemouth Town	Please consider the consultation on BCP council before making these changes	Disagree	Throop & Holdenhurst	respondent living outside proposal area	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
K521	Bournemouth Town	Scrap it	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
K522	Bournemouth Town	See my comments on Poole Town Council.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
K523	Bournemouth Town	Should be put to a public referendum and vote once proper costings have been made known to residents.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K524	Bournemouth Town	Sounds like a money wasting exercise. If it ain't broke, don't fix it!	Disagree	Redhill & Northbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
K525	Bournemouth Town	Stop the war on motorists by closing and selling off car parks we are supposed to be encouraging Holiday makers to spend money in the local area but unfortunately we have a few extreme Eco warrior counsellors who are destroying the local area. We need to encourage Holiday makers which is great for the local economy and businesses And scrapping. The air festival is another big blow to the local residence. This is why I believe we do not need more. Counsellor is taking the money away from very important events	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3
K526	Bournemouth Town	Stop wasting money on all this.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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K527	Bournemouth Town	The current 'consultation' is non-binding with the final decision being vested with the councillors, many of whom have already publicly supported the proposals. That support is neither independent or legitimate. It is clearly biased toward party political policy. Residents have been informed the 'consultation' is being reviewed internally without independent oversight and calls into question serious concerns about transparency. It seems clear the party with a majority has already decided Community Governance will be introduced whether it is supported by a majority of residents or not. That is undemocratic and begs the question why hold a 'consultation'?	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8
K528	Bournemouth Town	The decline of Bournemouth is a disgrace, thanks to BCP. Fire everyone! Drugs, knife crime, sexual abuse, dirty streets, abusive youths / arsonists, ASB, locals scared to go in to town; nothing to be proud of. Abolish BCP, return to 3 separate councils.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 9
K529	Bournemouth Town	The draft recommendation fail to explain any benefit whatsoever to the residents, workers or visitors to the area, just duplication and additional bureaucracy.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Poole Town	BH15 2
K530	Bournemouth Town	The existing infadstructure of BCP council and Trustee chater shoud be enough. If a change ois required that the town council area should be much smaller	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K531	Bournemouth Town	The proposed numbers of seats to the elector ratio and variances within the proposed Bournemouth Town council is unfair, unequal between wards and undemocratic. The same comment applies equally to the proposals when comparing the proposals for Poole new Council parish wards and also in relation to the other proposed new parishes. We do not need another extra level or bureaucracy. Please do not implement the proposed chances anywhere in BCP.	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	

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K532	Bournemouth Town	This is the last thing residents of central Bournemouth want. What they desire is for BCP to deliver the services they require well, street cleaning, tackling anti social behaviour, removing graffiti and bring Bournemouth back to a town we can all be proud of again that residents of the whole area want to visit again.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1
K533	Bournemouth Town	This particular submission is the most undemocratic of all the submissions for Bournemouth wards in this CGR. As stated above the electorate have not asked for a Bournemouth Town Council. The only evidence so far is a lack of demand across Bournemouth apart from a handful of submissions and representations. “There were no specific submissions proposing a new Town Council for Bournemouth as set out in this document, although one submission (response no. 38) did suggest a whole of Bournemouth Town Council and not individual smaller councils. There were a number of representations received from councillors that a Town Council for the remainder of Bournemouth should be not established.” Since none of the electorate apart from BCP Councillors why would an additional layer of local government be included. Since all votes should be given equal weight should 5 submissions be in favour of this Bournemouth Town Council and this rejection be the only submission against. The theoretically a Bournemouth Town Council would come in to being though no one asked for one and not enough people said “we don’t want a Bournemouth Town Council” Community Councils are: Nothing with a lack of demand, and may well lead to elitism and insular practice Divisive: Drawing lines between communities does not assist working together in harmony. With different precepts (Council Tax) between areas are inevitably going to lead to different priorities and different levels of provision. This can result in a visible ‘step change’ in environment and amenity between one street in one Council and another nearby in a second Council Inefficient: No economy of scale and an unequal delivery of services. Service provided may abruptly change between one part of a street and another, or not be available in an area at all. Without a centralised reporting structure there will not be a capture and prioritisation order of schedule or provision. Unnecessary: An additional layer of bureaucracy will lead to complications on who is responsible for what Service provision for residents to raise issues. Additional elections and an ever decreasing level of turnout to lower down the level of Councillor. There is nothing that a Parish Councillor can achieve that a BCP Councillor can already provide. Expensive: Community Councils don’t need to charge a precept, but little can be done without them. In addition to the cost of conducting further elections the parish councils need to pay staff to ensure they conduct themselves within legalisation and regulations. In addition to running and minuting meeting there is the cost of the hire of facilities to conduct necessary meetings. If not hiring staff to carry out tasks then payment to suppliers and contractors must done and all the associated administration that comes with it.	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2

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K534	Bournemouth Town	This whole thing is wrong! I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost. The timing of this consultation is so wrong costing in excess of £100k when money could have been better spent. I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys' . . . Or should I say girls in this instance! This survey and completing it is so very onerous. That too is disgusting and it's obviously relying on people to not bother giving their views as it's too difficult	Disagree	Postcode Not Matched	respondent living outside proposal area	Postcode Not Matched	
K535	Bournemouth Town	This will create an unfair divide as some areas - eg Southbourne/Boscombe would have small parish councils looking out for their very specific interests yet Springbourne and Littledown for example will be battling to be heard amongst the 38 councillors all trying to get the best outcomes for their wards.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Creekmoor	BH17 7
K536	Bournemouth Town	unnecessary unwanted vanity project	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Parkstone	BH15 2
K537	Bournemouth Town	Waste of Money, work should be covered under by BCP	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
K538	Bournemouth Town	Waste of time and tax payers money	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
K539	Bournemouth Town	We already have councillors, why do we need more?????	Disagree	Boscombe & Pokesdown	respondent living outside proposal area	Boscombe West	BH5 1

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K540	Bournemouth Town	We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes! They should control their funds instead of going into huge debt & asking schools to subsidise their debt. The system needs to be simplified NOT further complicated. Further councillors means more expensive council tax for NO PURPOSEFUL REASON- just more people doing a bad job. This is an unnecessary cost for zero benefit.	Disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
K541	Bournemouth Town	Work smarter with what you have already changed. Stop changing for change sake. Working as one larger council is the best way forward with ever merging districts.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
K542	Bournemouth Town	Yes how can it possibly be recommended if its "Impossible to say what the costs are" the ONLY option is to reject thr proposal.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
K543	Bournemouth Town	Yes, pause the consultation which has been heavily criticised as being weighted towards the answers the Adminstration want. Hold public meetings, consider a referendum. Pause any decisions until residents are fully informed in an unbiased way.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
K544	Bournemouth Town	Yes. Bournemouth does not need another council - it needs better representation and support within the existing BCP structure. The Charter Trustees already protect our civic traditions. If there's concern about local identity or engagement, these issues can be addressed through targeted community investment, area forums, or empowering ward councillors with local budgets - not by adding an entirely new bureaucracy. Rather than layering on more government, BCP should focus on making what we already have work better. The establishment of a Bournemouth Town Council is a regressive and costly step that the public has not asked for and does not need.	Disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
K545	Bournemouth Town	You state that if Poole doesn't go ahead then Bournemouth would need to include the Poole areas for full coverage. But, what about the other areas proposed like Boscombe, Southbourne and so on? What if they don't go ahead - will everyone except Christchurch then be called Bournemouth? What would be the point???	Disagree	Christchurch Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Commons	BH23 2

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K546	Bournemouth Town	Give us back three independent town councils if you want to subdivide.	Don't know/not sure	Broadstone	respondent living outside proposal area	Broadstone	BH17 7
K547	Bournemouth Town	1. The proposal to divide TB1 and TB5 between the proposed Poole and Bournemouth parishes raises concerns. There would be electors voting for different parish areas. This would increase the margin for error in polling stations and make administering the elections more complex. This could be resolved by altering the boundary between the polling districts to make this coterminous with the proposed parish boundary. 2. The proposal to include part of WB4 in the proposed Poole parish council raises concerns. There would be electors voting for different parish areas and different BCP Council wards. This would increase the margin for error in polling stations and make administering the elections more complex. Whilst this could be resolved by altering the boundary between WB4 and TB6, we would question whether that would be appropriate considering the community identity of electors in that area. If it is considered that the community identity of electors in that area does not align with TB6 rather than WB4, then that part of WB4 should not be included in the proposed parish. 3. We believe that if either the Bournemouth or Poole Parish proposal is approved while the other is not, the boundary along the dividing line should be reviewed. This would help ensure that no properties or areas are adversely affected or left isolated due to partial implementation. Furthermore, if any of the smaller parish areas proposed within the Bournemouth Charter Trustees area are not approved, consideration should be given to including those areas within the approved parish to maintain continuity and avoid administrative gaps.	Neither agree nor disagree	Southbourne	respondent living outside proposal area	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
K548	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth council doesnt care about the residents of Bournemouth so nothing will change	Neither agree nor disagree	Respondent from outside BCP	respondent living outside proposal area	West Purbeck	BH20 5
K549	Bournemouth Town	Cost of new council? considering BCP was formed to reduce costs	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Oakdale	BH15 3

Q59 – Is there anything else you would like to say about the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town?

Row	proposal area	comment	agree/disagree it should be established	respondent proposal area	respondent from proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
K550	Bournemouth Town	The following polling districts shouldn't be included in Poole Town Council, and should instead be part of Bournemouth Town Council (if established): BM6 - Bearwood & Merley 6 BM7 - Bearwood & Merley 7 (excluding BM7-A which is in Poole) CC3-A - Canford Cliffs 3A TB1 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 1 (part) All of TB5 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 5, not just a part, should be in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council. None of it is in Bournemouth. WB1-A - Westbourne & West Cliff 1A should also be included in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council, as it is in Poole.	Neither agree nor disagree	Poole Town	respondent living outside proposal area	Penn Hill	BH14 8



Community Governance Consultation

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Bournemouth Town

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Qualitative Analysis and Report by Darmax Research

Executive Summary

BCP Council are consulting on draft proposals to create new parish, town and community councils across Bournemouth and Poole and to make some small changes to the existing town/parish arrangements in Christchurch.

Before any decisions are made, the council sought the views of local residents on setting up a new parish council in Bournemouth Town.

This report summarises the free-text responses to the consultation.

Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Results

Reasons for agreement/disagreement

Respondents were asked to provide their reasons for why they agree or disagree with the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town.

333 respondents provided feedback to this question. 199 of these respondents live in Bournemouth Town, while 134 live outside the proposal area.

A small number of local residents supported the creation of a town council, arguing that devolved power could bring decision-making closer to the community and allow local representation to address town-specific needs.

However, a greater number opposed the proposals. They felt that creating a town council was unnecessary and costly.

Respondents highlighted that the formation of BCP Council had been intended to reduce bureaucracy and improve efficiency, and therefore adding another layer of governance so soon was a retrograde step. Concerns were also raised about blurred responsibilities, inequity of services between different areas, and the risk of confusion.

Boundary issues were widely discussed. Some residents wanted Bournemouth to be kept whole under a single town council, while others argued the area should be split into smaller parishes to reflect distinct identities. Respondents also questioned disparities in elector-to-councillor ratios across the BCP area, raising concerns about fairness and proportionality.

Many residents objected to the prospect of an additional precept and council tax increases. The consultation process also attracted criticism. Respondents felt it was poorly publicised, overly complex, and lacked sufficient explanation of the benefits.

Feedback from respondents living outside Bournemouth showed similar patterns. A small number supported the proposals, citing the benefits of stronger local representation and more responsive decision-making. However, the majority opposed the recommendations. They described the proposals as wasteful and unnecessary.

Non-residents also raised boundary concerns, with some arguing that Bournemouth should be governed as a single town council, while others suggested splitting it into multiple parishes. Some called for a return to the three original councils rather than introducing new governance arrangements.

Administration and cost concerns echoed those of residents. Respondents feared more bureaucracy, duplication of roles, and inequity in service delivery.

Cost objections again centred on affordability, with many rejecting additional precepts given rising council tax.

The consultation process was also criticised by non-residents, lacking detail and calls for a referendum before any changes are implemented.

Any other comments about the draft recommendations

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town.

186 respondents provided further comments, including 110 from within Bournemouth Town and 76 from outside the area.

A small number of residents expressed support, stating that a dedicated Bournemouth Town Council could restore local democracy and give residents a stronger voice. The majority, however, opposed the proposals. Respondents felt a new town council would be unnecessary and costly.

Boundary issues were raised, with suggestions that the whole of Bournemouth should be included within the Town Council rather than being split, while others felt the area should be divided into smaller parishes to reflect local identities. Some specific changes were proposed, such as aligning Kinson with Redhill and Northbourne. Concerns about disparities in elector-to-councillor ratios across the conurbation were also highlighted.

Administration concerns were widespread. Respondents feared that introducing another layer of governance would slow decision-making, blur accountability, and contradict the rationale behind forming BCP Council.

Cost was again a recurring theme, with residents objecting to increased precepts, particularly in the absence of detailed financial information or limits on future rises.

The consultation process also drew criticism. Residents argued that the proposals lacked evidence, were poorly publicised, and appeared politically motivated. Many called for a public vote before any decisions are made.

A small number of respondents living outside the proposal area expressed support, suggesting that a town council could give Bournemouth greater control over its governance. Most, however, opposed the recommendations. They described the proposals as unnecessary, bureaucratic, and financially unsustainable. Many argued that Bournemouth did not need another council and that BCP should instead focus on improving existing services or revert to the three original councils.

Boundary concerns were again raised, with suggestions for both a single Bournemouth-wide town council and smaller parishes based on local identities. Respondents also questioned proposed ward allocations and highlighted that councillors already exist to represent local residents.

Further administration and management concerns were again raised, with respondents fearing duplication and confusion over responsibilities and accountability associated with a two-tier system.

Respondents again opposed higher precepts without clear costings or benefits.

The consultation process was criticised as lacking sufficient detail and that such a change should only be made following a referendum.

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1 Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Qualitative responses (write in text) to questions were exported into Excel and were thematically analysed. The most common themes are reported on in this report. Anonymised quotes from participants have been used to illustrate the themes identified.

Please note that while the purpose of qualitative data is to provide deeper insights into reasoning and impact rather than to quantify data, the numbers of respondents who mentioned the most prevalent themes are provided in this report to give an indication of the magnitude of response. However, given the nature of qualitative data, it should be noted that this does not provide an indication of significance in relation to the question asked.

In addition, where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories. Where a response makes several different points, only the relevant part to the discussed theme is shown in the report.

2 Analysis and results

2.1 Reasons for agreement/disagreement

Respondents were asked to provide their reasons for why they agree or disagree with the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town.

333 respondents provided feedback to this question. 199 of these respondents live in Bournemouth Town, while 134 of these respondents live outside of Bournemouth Town.

Responses have been coded into key themes to make them easier to interpret. Please note that where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories.

Theme	Number of respondents		
	Respondent living in proposal area	Respondent living outside proposal area	Total
General support	12	11	23
General opposition	57	36	93
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	42	24	66
Administration/management of decisions	139	89	228
Cost of delivery	46	19	65
Consultation/decision process	21	12	33
Other	0	1	1

2.1.1 Respondents living in proposal area

12 respondents expressed general support. These residents felt that there is a need for **local representation** to focus on what the town needs.



“I think devolving power to a more local level is a good thing.”

“I believe that a parish of Bournemouth will allow for more flexibility regarding decisions that affect the local community.”

In contrast, 57 respondents voiced opposition. They argued that the proposal was **unnecessary and costly** and there was no need for parish councils in general.



“Just duplication of what we already have. Complete waste of money and resources.”



“Have not read anything to suggest benefit of new parish or town councils of any kind in current financial environment.”

42 respondents commented on **boundaries**. Views varied, with some calling for Bournemouth to be kept whole under one town council, while others argued the area should be split into smaller parishes to reflect distinct community identities and localised needs. Respondents also pointed to disparities across BCP in elector-to-councillor ratios, questioning fairness and proportionality.



“There is no connection between Winton and Bournemouth town centre, East Cliff or Littledown etc.”

“Bournemouth is part of the larger urban area of BCP. There is not enough difference between the various wards to warrant making the area a separate town council.”

“Why are we doing this. We now will have a situation where a few neighbourhoods will be ridiculously overrepresented while the rest of Bournemouth and Poole have no low level representation.”

139 respondents raised concerns about **administration and decision-making**. The most common themes were the risk of duplicating functions and adding bureaucracy that won't achieve anything. The changes would also create **confusion** over responsibilities and blur **accountability**. Respondents commented that the creation of BCP Council was meant to have solved this and therefore the draft recommendations were a retrograde step. Introducing further structural changes so soon would add **unnecessary complexity**. The proposals would result in inequity of services across the conurbation and limited cohesion between areas. Respondents felt that BCP Council should direct resources towards improvements to services, rather than developing unnecessary and costly layers of administration. Other respondents commented that there are **already councillors** elected responsible for the local population.



“Complete waste of money duplicating existing governance structure.”

“There will be a conflict of interests between the BCP Council and all the new parishes.”

“Another layer of bureaucracy which will cost council taxpayer more and achieve nothing.”

“Having gone through the merger of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole councils, I don't think we need the extra cost and bureaucracy of new Town/Parish Councils.”

“Plans will add confusion over which council does which job. The present services should be improved by BCP.”

“We have a Town Council which has council representatives for each area. We do not need more levels of administration but for existing councillors to do their job and represent their ward to the council with diligence and hard work on behalf of their electors.”

46 respondents commented on **costs**. Concerns centred on the introduction of an additional precept being a means to take more money from local residents, with residents also worried about affordability.



“Why should people pay an additional precept for another level of decision making.”

“We don’t need or want a massive increase in our council tax, get it through your heads normal people don’t earn the sort of money you lot pay yourselves.”

21 respondents criticised the **consultation process**. They felt the proposals had been put forward by a small number of people and there was no evidence that there was a need or desire for changes. Respondents felt that the draft recommendations lack detail with regards to the benefits of the proposals. Respondents also commented that the consultation had not been adequately publicised and it was unnecessary complex.



“No submissions for a Bournemouth Town Council were received and it therefore seems ridiculous that a proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council should progress.”

“Most residents do not even know about these proposals. They have not been democratically chosen.”

“It is not clear aside from increasing council tax and creating more bureaucracy how this will assist and help the town: there appear to be bigger problems than creating more structures.”

2.1.2 Respondents living outside proposal area

11 respondents expressed support. They welcomed the principle of stronger **local representation** and felt that town councils could bring decision-making closer to communities.



“Though with less history, there are lots of issues that could be resolved for Bournemouth with a Town Council.”

36 respondents voiced opposition. They described the proposals as **unnecessary**, costly, and new councils should not be created.



“Town and Parish councils should be removed as they add an unnecessary layer of councils for no added benefit.”

“Bournemouth doesn't need a Parish Council.”

24 respondents raised concerns about **boundaries**. While some respondents commented that Bournemouth Town Council should cover all areas of Bournemouth, others felt that it was too large and should be split into smaller parishes.



“The Bournemouth Town Council should include all areas that were included prior to BCP Council being formed.”

“It seems rather unwieldy to lump all the other areas of Bournemouth in one town parish, and I am concerned that this will create some disparity within the conurbation, pitting this dominant parish against other smaller parish councils.”

89 respondents raised concerns about **administration and decision-making**. The most common themes were the risk of duplicating functions and adding bureaucracy that won't achieve anything. The changes would also create **confusion** over responsibilities and blur **accountability**. Respondents commented that the creation of BCP Council was meant to have solved this and viewed the proposals as a retrograde step and admission that the formation of the council had been a waste of money and failure. Introducing further structural changes so soon would add **unnecessary complexity**. However, some respondents commented that the proposals should revert back to the previous three town councils. The proposals would result in inequity of services across the conurbation and limited cohesion between areas. Respondents felt that BCP Council should direct resources towards improvements to services, rather than developing unnecessary and costly layers of administration. Other respondents commented that there are **already councillors** elected responsible for the local population.



“Unnecessary layer of bureaucracy.”

“The creation of a Bournemouth Town Council would make a mockery of the recent reorganisation of local government arrangements and the formation of BCP.”

“We had a Borough Council, before a great deal of money was wasted in becoming BCP Council.”

“Get rid of BCP Council and leave just three separate, independent single tier authorities for Christchurch, Poole and Bournemouth.”

“The existing Council should spend time, effort and money on improving services and efficiency for the benefit of the local taxpayers. Adding more

layers of confusion and creating more inefficiency is not what we need. Improving the existing council is needed more than the proposed idea.”

“BCP already has a set of councillors and we are paying for them and the staff required.”

19 respondents commented on **costs**. They expressed concerns about the lack of clarity around financial implications, and that higher council taxes were not warranted.



“I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils. There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost.”

12 respondents criticised the **consultation process**. They described it as poorly advertised, biased towards accepting the proposals and lacking in specific details. Respondents also felt that any change of this scale should be subject to a referendum.



“The case for change has not been made. I have not been given the information to judge whether the proposals are worth it because (1) the proposals don't set out how governance will be more effective. (2) the cost is not known.”

“I am of the opinion if to 'do nothing at all' was an option in the consultation then the majority of the consultation responses would be in favour of a 'change is unnecessary' response.”

“Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions.”

2.2 Any other comments about the draft recommendations

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the draft recommendations for Bournemouth Town.

186 respondents provided feedback to this question. 110 of these respondents live in Bournemouth Town, while 76 of these respondents live outside of Bournemouth Town.

Responses have been coded into key themes to make them easier to interpret. Please note that where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories.

Theme	Number of respondents		
	Respondent living in proposal area	Respondent living outside proposal area	Total
General support	3	7	10
General opposition	37	24	61
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	17	11	28
Administration/management of decisions	59	39	98
Cost of delivery	23	13	36
Consultation/decision process	24	17	41
Other	1	4	5

2.2.1 Respondents living in proposal area

3 respondents expressed general support for the draft recommendation for Bournemouth Town. These residents felt that a dedicated Bournemouth Town Council would **restore power and local democracy** in Bournemouth.



"I think the draft recommendations will go a long way towards restoring local democracy in Bournemouth."

In contrast, 37 respondents voiced opposition. They argued that creating a new council was **unnecessary** and would be an inefficient use of public money and the proposal should be **scrapped**.



"Don't do it, you spend far too much of our money on fanciful useless schemes as it is."

"The whole ill thought out idea should be forgotten."

17 respondents raised concerns about boundaries. Respondents commented that Bournemouth Town Council should **include the whole of the Charter Trustees for Bournemouth area**, rather than split into separate parishes. However, some respondents felt that Bournemouth Town Council should be **split into more parishes** as different parts of Bournemouth have their own identities. Other **variations of wards/parishes** were mentioned, including adding Kinson to Redhill and Northbourne. Respondents also commented that there appeared to be **disparity between areas** in terms of the size of areas as well as the ratio of electors to councillors.



“Merge with Redhill and Boscombe.”

“Could Bournemouth Town Council include the whole of the Charter Trustees for Bournemouth area, to bring the whole of Bournemouth together as one?”

“Any council for Bournemouth should include all parts of the town including those that have separate proposals within this consultation.”

“Kinson should be moved to the Redhill & Northbourne ward as issues local to Kinson would more likely affect the Redhill & Northbourne area as well.”

“It would be better if Bournemouth could be split into smaller parishes. As a minimum there could be a North Bournemouth Parish and South/Coastal Parish.”

“I am concerned about the disparity in ratios of electors to councillors across the whole of the BCP area. Some parishes appear to have much larger numbers of electors per councillor and this does not seem equitable.”

59 respondents raised concerns about **administration and decision-making**. The most common themes were the risk of adding bureaucracy that would slow down decision-making. The changes would also create confusion over responsibilities and blur accountability. Respondents commented that the creation of BCP Council was meant to have solved this and therefore the draft recommendations were a retrograde step. Introducing further structural changes so soon would add **unnecessary complexity**. Respondents felt that BCP Council should direct resources towards improvements to services, rather than developing unnecessary and costly layers of administration. Other respondents commented that there are **already councillors** elected responsible for the local population.



“Surely this defeats the premise of the amalgamation to form BCP Council and creates a more unwieldy bureaucratic structure. Wouldn't it be better to work on making improvements to the existing structure than trying to change it again.”

"I see absolutely no need for another level of local government. Cumbersome and will add to cost. We used to have area associations with regular meetings which were interesting but of no use in transmitting local views to the Council. We already have local councillors to whom we can communicate views, complaints etc."

"I would like to see BCP get on with doing the job they are designed to do and stop coming up with ways take more money out of the pockets of ordinary Bournemouth folk."

23 respondents commented on costs. They expressed an **unwillingness to pay** an increased precept and the burden this could place on households already struggling financially. There was also dissatisfaction at the **lack of detailed costings** and no clear indication of how increases would be controlled in future years.



"I am not prepared to pay more for this. As it is we pay far too much council tax for a failing town."

"The fact that there will be no limit on the council tax charge means that any discretionary spending will be loaded onto the new town council."

24 respondents criticised the consultation process. Respondents felt that there was **little evidence** presented that justified the proposed changes. Respondents felt that the consultation was rushed and **inadequately publicised** in order to get the changes pushed through without being disputed. Respondents felt that any changes in the proposals should result in a further consultation and that the decision should be put to a **public vote**. Respondents also commented that the proposals felt **politically motivated**.



"There seems to be no compelling reason, in all the documents and videos, for creating another layer of government."

"Any such change in local government as big, and potentially costly as this, should be put to the vote by the electorate. I only heard of this change from word of mouth by other concerned residents and as such, nearly missed out on my chance to have a say. Nothing was advertised or put through our door. This feels like an attempt to push through this change quietly without opposition."

"Any substantial changes to the proposals presented here must be consulted on again."

"To me this smacks of someone's expensive vanity legacy project and there is no local demand for it in this area."

2.2.2 Respondents living outside proposal area

7 respondents expressed support for the draft recommendations and that it would allow the town to have **control** over its own governance.



"I just hope it isn't a lot of talking about reorganisation and fuss but a way to actually get things done by people who understand the local area."

However, 24 respondents voiced opposition. Respondents commented that the area **does not require a second tier of governance** and the proposals were a waste of money.



"Bournemouth does not need another council."

"Sounds like a money wasting exercise. If it ain't broke, don't fix it!"

11 respondents commented on boundaries. Respondents commented that there should be **equal distribution** and representation across the towns and parishes. In addition, Bournemouth Town Council should include the **whole of the Bournemouth area**, rather than split into separate parishes. However, some respondents felt that Bournemouth Town Council should be **split into more parishes** as different parts of Bournemouth have their own identities. Other variations of the allocation of wards/parishes were also mentioned, including the potential of increased **margins of error in elections** in the current proposals.



"Include the whole of Wallisdown so that it comes under Bournemouth Council, not Alderney Ward."

"The following polling districts shouldn't be included in Poole Town Council, and should instead be part of Bournemouth Town Council (if established): BM6 - Bearwood & Merley; BM7 - Bearwood & Merley; 7 (excluding BM7-A which is in Poole); CC3-A - Canford Cliffs 3A; TB1 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 1 (part); All of TB5 - Talbot & Branksome Woods 5, not just a part, should be in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council. None of it is in Bournemouth; WB1-A - Westbourne & West Cliff 1A should also be included in the Bourne Valley and Branksome East ward of Poole Town Council, as it is in Poole."

"1. The proposal to divide TB1 and TB5 between the proposed Poole and Bournemouth parishes raises concerns. There would be electors voting for different parish areas... 2. The proposal to include part of WB4 in the proposed Poole parish council raises concerns... Whilst this could be resolved by altering the boundary between WB4 and TB6, we would question whether that would be appropriate considering the community identity of electors in that area... 3. We believe that if either the Bournemouth or Poole Parish proposal is approved while the other is not, the boundary along the dividing line should be reviewed. This would help

ensure that no properties or areas are adversely affected or left isolated due to partial implementation.”

“The population is too large for one parish and could have been sub-divided. While it will be Bournemouth Town Council - the area of the Town Centre is remote for some of the wards. In fact, they have their own centres of identity. Quite suitable for parishes of their own.”

39 respondents raised concerns about **administration and decision-making**. The most common themes were the risk of adding bureaucracy that would slow down decision-making. The changes would also create confusion over **responsibilities** and blur **accountability**. Respondents commented that the creation of BCP Council was meant to have solved this and therefore the draft recommendations were a retrograde step. Introducing further structural changes so soon would add **unnecessary complexity**. However, some respondents commented that the three town councils should be reinstated and **BCP Council disbanded**. The proposals would also result in **inequity of services** across the conurbation. Respondents felt that BCP Council should direct resources towards improvements to services, rather than developing unnecessary and costly layers of administration. Other respondents commented that there are **already councillors** elected responsible for the local population.



“6 years ago Bournemouth council was merged with Poole and Christchurch, on the grounds of efficiency. What has changed over the last 6 years to mean that governance needs to change?”

“Less bureaucracy and transparency is required from BCP with more action from those already elected, not more.”

“Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.”

“Do something about the sad state of Bournemouth town centre instead of wasting money on Parish Councils.”

“Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional bureaucracy.”

“We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes!”

13 respondents were concerned about the impact on residents that the **cost** of the recommendations would have, with limited detail provided in the proposal.



“How can it possibly be recommended if its “impossible to say what the costs are”. The ONLY option is to reject the proposal.”

17 respondents criticised the consultation process. Respondents felt that the draft recommendations **failed to explain the benefit** to residents, more engagement was required to publicise and explain the draft recommendations, and the decision should be put to a **public vote**. Respondents also commented that the proposals felt **politically motivated**.



“The draft recommendation fail to explain any benefit whatsoever to the residents.”

“Pause the consultation which has been heavily criticised as being weighted towards the answers the administration want. Hold public meetings, consider a referendum. Pause any decisions until residents are fully informed in an unbiased way.”

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Q62 – Is there anything else that you would like to say about the Community Governance Review?

Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X1	Another pointless and expensive thing not really needed	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X2	Another waste of time and money.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X3	As per the above...please, please, please...stop wasting our money on this pointless idea...spend it properly.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
X4	BCP council was designed with the aim of simplifying local government- adding multiple parish councils in to the mix will do the opposite. The priority should be providing better value services to residents.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X5	Bin it!	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X6	Bournemouth and particularly Boscombe is terribly neglected, horrible scruffy tatty looking that supposed to be a Holliday destination and not criminals ,alkohol and drog addict centres for rehabilitation in the heart of the town in residential area. I wish to know that the tax I'm paying month by month is going to be use in the right way for the right things and in the most efficient way for our benefits, for the hard working people's well being, reducing crime, getting rid of horrible potholes, making the area pretty planting palm trees please.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X7	Bournemouth and Poole should not be divided into several smaller parishes but should retain their identities as two distinct towns. Accordingly, one Bournemouth and one Poole parish should be created, each within the boundaries of their former Borough Councils.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X8	Do not go ahead with parish councils. It will lead to division, inequity and a ridiculous amount of councillors as well as higher council tax. It is a ridiculous proposal.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2

Q62 – Is there anything else that you would like to say about the Community Governance Review? – All Areas

Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X9	For the last 2–3 years, we have constantly had problems with our trash bins on the road near 1 Carnarvon Road. They are always full, and we don't have enough space to properly dispose of our waste. Sometimes, we even see rats around them.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
	The main issue is that local businesses from Christchurch Road (numbers 520–528, such as restaurants and shops) regularly use our bins to throw away their commercial waste.			
	We face a similar problem near 2B Salisbury Road.			
	In contrast, the bins near 38 Carnarvon Road are always in good condition and never overflowing—because they are used only by local residents, not businesses.			
	Please help us resolve this issue. Thank you.			
X10	I am shocked that this is happening. It is a profoundly undemocratic exercise and should have severe consequences for the persons leading it.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X11	I cannot help but feel this is all so unnecessary and we should go back to our separate Christchurch & Bournemouth Councils	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X12	I find this desire to add more local councillors in very bad taste, we are continually informed that there is not enough money to fund all of our services and things like the airshow are at risk of being cut, while simultaneously running reviews like this where you want to create new posts that add nothing of value to the community except more layers of unnecessary government and a higher tax burden.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X13	I hope these plans don't go ahead	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X14	I hope this is just a box-ticking exercise and it will be abandoned as an inefficient and unnecessary layer of bureaucracy.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X15	I think this is a terrible idea, we don't need town and parish councils or another layer of beurocraracy to fight. Town councils have limited power and yet we will still have to pay expenses to another 16 counsellors? Absolutely ridiculous	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X16	I would like to know how much money this review is costing council tax payers? Could you not spend the money where it is desperately needed such as in our schools and adult social care?	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X17	I would rather the council just get on with their jobs, than spending time and money re-organising,	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X18	I'm in favour of Parish councils. I used to be a Parish Councillor for Upton many years ago. Governance works much better at a local level for residents. Councillors and residents alike feel much more involved. There is a feeling of belonging and caring in the community.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6

Q62 – Is there anything else that you would like to say about the Community Governance Review? – All Areas

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X19	In a country almost bankrupt this is a monumental waste of time and resources.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
X20	It's nonsense and a waste of time and money, we do not need this	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X21	It's ridiculous and waste of money, time and effort.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X22	I've been involved with the southbourne forum for the last 6 months mostly engaging with the community about the things people want improving, the Facebook posts' ive done have had hundreds of comments on the issue! See below a reduced list of some of the things people want to improve in southbourne; (I got chat gpt to summarise the 300+ comments); 1. Parking Improvements: - o Better parking facilities, including free and closer parking spaces. - o Reduced parking fees or discounted rates for locals. - o Create more parking spaces for easy access to popular areas. 2. Public Spaces & Parks: - o Well-maintained parks and playgrounds, including upgrades for older kids and soft play areas. - o Community garden spaces and cleanups to maintain aesthetics. - o More seating in public spaces like Fisherman's Walk and the Grove. - o Cleaner streets, with regular grass cutting and improved rubbish management. 3. Leisure & Entertainment: - o Outdoor activities like a heated lido, community swimming pools, or a beach cinema in the summer. - o More pop-up events, such as family beach bars, music festivals, and outdoor cafes for kids. - o A recreational centre with activities like ping pong, air hockey, laser tag, and roller rinks. - o A rock music venue or a dedicated space for live music. - o Reintroduce summer festivals or events that close streets. 4. Cycling & Accessibility: - o Improved cycle paths, but also feedback suggesting some cyclists prefer alternatives. - o Better pedestrian crossings, especially for safety. - o Accessible public transport like an improved Pokesdown station and more buses. 5. Community Engagement: - o Increased police presence to improve safety and reduce crime. - o More volunteer-driven initiatives, such as litter picking and community cleanups. - o Local youth clubs or safe hangout spaces for teenagers, possibly with activities and mentorship. 6. Food & Dining: - o More diverse food options, like Greek, Turkish, or Chinese restaurants, along with takeaway salad and juice bars. - o Bring back a fishmonger's shop or a wet fish shop. - o More family-friendly cafes and places to hang out. 7. Environment & Green Spaces: - o Planting trees along streets and improving green areas. - o Outdoor spaces like community art galleries, green roofs, and drink fountains. 8. Infrastructure & Amenities: - o Improve public toilets, with more frequent cleaning and better facilities. - o Upgrade and modernize existing amenities, such as the Fisherman's Walk and the cliff lift. - o Better street lighting, especially in residential areas. - o Restore or upgrade areas like Riva, Seafield Gardens, and the cliff top. 9. Unique & Fun Ideas: - o A monorail (though playful, it's a fun idea!). - o An alcohol-free pub and a more accessible or affordable nightlife scene. - o Fun, quirky concepts like donkey rides, or rock shops with funky Southbourne vibes.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
	Local community councils would be really beneficial to each area. I hope it goes ahead.			
X23	Local community councils would be really beneficial to each area. I hope it goes ahead.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2

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X24	money would be better spent on services, not on creating levels of bureaucracy.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X25	More expense at the added cost to tax payers- The town is a disgrace with little or no direction except for plans to spend more, unjustified, money.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X26	My comments describe my view	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X27	My comments regarding Boscombe and Pokesdown apply equally to all other proposed areas.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X28	N/A	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X29	no	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X30	no	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X31	No to devolved councils.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
X32	Not Applicable.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X33	Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X34	Please do not add any more layers of bureaucracy to the council, not needed and too costly.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X35	Question 19 is phrased in such a way as to make very clear that this consultation is a sham. You're going to impose this on us whether we want it or not. And the people who will get elected will be hand-picked by the parties which support this farce. If anyone bothers to vote.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X36	see previous response - completely oppose.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X37	Shelve the idea once and for all and concentrate on what you already have, stop working from home go back to the office that would be a good start	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4

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X38	The non inclusion of an option for 'do nothing' and leave it alone with the governance already in place was a mistake.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
	The CGR appears to be a solution for a problem that doesn't exist for the unspoken mass of residents			
	The Lack of Demand from residents in Bournemouth before CGR coming round every 10-15 years for a willingness for another layer of governance/bureaucracy seems to be a pointer to the lack of CGR being anywhere near the top of personal priority list for the vast majority of Bournemouth residents.			
	It appears that if residents don't respond to this CGR with a clear representation that they 'want a parish/community/town council then they may well find they end up with one anyway through ignorance or inertia.			
	The only selling point appears to be 'pay an additional precept to get the Services that are 'a nice to have' Services the Unitary Authority can no longer provide/provision due to the demands and cost of statutory services such as human social care			
X39	The proposed parish councils are a waste of time and money. More than that, they will foster inequity and division.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X40	There is no need for additional layers of bureaucracy. Get an efficient BCP with councillors who represent their community properly and the problem is solved	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X41	There is no point undertaking a consultation if you don't act on the views received. If the majority of people want parish councils I accept the democratic mandate even though I disagree - please do the same if it is the other way around otherwise you are just adding to the public view that the council just does what it wants regardless.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X42	This extra level of council is not needed, it will just add to the costs to residents who are already struggling.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X43	This is a waste of time and money. You don't need more councillors to solve Bournemouth's problems.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X44	This is an unnecessary level of government please don't create these councils. I'm barely affording the cost of living in BCp as it is, this will just add further unspecified costs that could be any amount with no set limit.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH7 6
X45	This is not needed, the extra cost to residents is not needed. There is no need to have more people running things when we already have a council board of people who have done nothing but make cuts and fill their pockets, and elected members who failed the area. There will be no difference with this other than people having to pay more tax and having less control of where they live	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
X46	This just seems to lack any awareness of costs and we should be looking to breakdown costly duplication and bureaucracy.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH6 5
X47	This provides no additional benefit at additional cost.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2

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X48	WASTE OF MONEY	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 1
X49	Waste of time	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X50	We have a central government and we have BCP Council. Compared to the private sector in which u work, they already take an inordinate time to reach a decision and deliver improvement. If you add more layers (parish councils AND devolved regional authorities) you add more delays. Put the people who would fill these roles into real jobs instead and desist the temptation to add bureaucracy and pointless people who give themselves a pat on the back for a job well done each day when they've done nothing of any tangible benefit to support their own oxygen use!	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 2
X51	Without a proper explanation of the nature of the community councils to be created, it is difficult to be sure of BCP Council's real intentions. It seems that they wish to create "Talking Shops" with no real powers. Their decisions or "Advice" can be disregarded an the will of Councillors and the Council. However all the extra costs will still have to be met by the taxpayers. It does seem that the Council wish to create an illusion of consultation and local decision making without giving any actual power to the people. The creation of full Parish Councils would be a much better step and would be more attractive to potential councillors. With the current proposals it is difficult to see why people would want to be involved. It also begs the question why will we have Parish councils in some areas and Community councils in other areas? - are some residents not as trustworthy or as capable as others?	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe East & Pokesdown	BH5 1
X52	Yes, make it easier to follow. It is not for the fainthearted or anyone who at the same time has to get dinner on for their kids.	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH5 1
X53	you didn't mention the cost to the residents	Boscombe & Pokesdown	Boscombe West	BH1 4
X54	The three towns of Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch were joined into what became BCP. Now that there is an unwieldy monolith trying to run three different areas with individual needs, some bright spark thinks it a good idea to (re-)create three town councils to give the appearance of individualised governance. In reality this instead creates effectively more strata of bureaucracy. The increase in councillors and administration will not only cost more but will entail far more inter-departmental consultation, committees and legal support. It will not improve the decision-making process but lead to obfuscation and reduced accountability. It is already a complicated process but the creation of Town councils will add to this without benefit. The present BCP council need to concentrate on improving their present performance instead of creating more councils to do the same job. This exercise looks as if it should increase public access and improve decision-making, but in reality it will confuse the extent to which each new council can make decisions without being over-ridden by BCP. In summary, far more people and less will get done well.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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X55	A complete waste of money & time	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X56	A complete waste of time and money based on my experience	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X57	A total waist of time and money.	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 2
X58	A total waste of time and money le t the people we have elected already do their job without interference from other officious bodies	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH11 9
X59	a waste of money	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X60	A waste of money after such a recent change.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X61	A waste of time and effort. A duplication of existing functions which should be carried out by existing Ward Councillors.The decision has already been made This consulation will not change the proposals. BCP never listen.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
X62	A waste of time and money. Totally unnecessary as far as Bournemouth Town is concerned. Already we pay for the Charter Trustees which is a vanity exercise.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X63	Abandon it before any more time is wasted.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X64	Absolute waste of money precepts would have to be added to council tax bills to pay for the extra bureaucracy	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH11 9
X65	After the amount of time and investment in local government reorganisation 5 years ago, this whole process seems unnecessary.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X66	After the relatively recent reorganisation to become BCP any further immediate change must be questioned given likely costs. However, if it is undertaken, it should surely be based on providing equal democratic rights and benefits to all BCP residents, not the arbitrary assignment to large and small bodies with necessarily different characters and capabilities represented by these shockingly poor recommendations.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X67	An absolute waste of time and money	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
X68	Another BS consultation, it's already a done deal.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 5
X69	As Coordinator of Eastcliff and Springbourne Residents Group is that despite various posts on the Facebook and Email versions on that Group both past and present I can state that there is next to zero interest amongst residents in making East Cliff and Springbourne part of any town/parish council.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X70	As I see the situation, BCP cannot deliver services which are needed now, due to lack of money, so why create	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X71	BCP better of split up into 3 councils	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7
X72	BCP council was set up to cut duplication and therefore jobs and make it more efficient. This a step back to the 1970's	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7

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X73	BCP is clearly a failing Council, mainly due to the ongoing divisions and opinions between the various political groups, some of which unhelpfully define themselves by geographic areas. The proposed creation of town and parish councils will only make the conflicts of one area against another worse. The potential to have councillors serving on both BCP Council and a town or parish council will create unavoidable conflicts of interest. The constitutions or standing orders of the proposed town and parish councils should bar BCP councillors standing for or remaining sitting on these councils. The introduction of the proposed councils will introduce unwarranted bureaucracy and duplication of effort. The time and resources would be better served to sort out the undeniable problems facing BCP and making its creation a success.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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X74	Bournemouth, (and Poole) already have an existing arrangement of local wards where items can concern can be raised by residents to their local elected representatives and this is established and adequate . there is no need for additional bureaucracy and unknown expense. BCP USED TO BE 3 INDEPENDENT COUNCILS, NO FURTHER CHANGES AND EXPENSE NECESSARY	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
X75	Broadstone has a residents association, a local forum and two ward councillors. It does not need an extra layer of bureaucracy to duplicate the work of ward councillors. That will do nothing to enhance the quality of life of residents.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
X76	Bureaucratic nonsense	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X77	Can't you spend the money on more important things	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 5
X78	Changing boundaries and increasing extra layers is like adding fresh straw to an already dirty stable. It needs clearing out and simplifying. We need proactive management to ensure that the needs of the "poorer" boroughs are not overlooked and an effort made to improve standards, by ensuring roads, drains are clean, rubbish is collected, pavements are not covered in dog mess, etc, etc.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X79	Continuation of the historical town and parish councils, which have a sense of community and a wish to continue managing local amenities, makes sense. For other areas, which do not have that historical community, involvement in local amenities such as car parks and childrens playgrounds etc. can be achieved via the BCP council members and does not require another layer of local government.	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
X80	Could you please concentrate of fixing stuff that matters like waste collection , winter gardens , park maintenance and stop ridiculous consultations like this. Another level of government will,not add value to an incompetent BCP council - not just my view even central government doesn't believe in the budgeting and management by BCP	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X81	Creates more civil servants, not cost effective, and a drain on the local economy and residents.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X82	Decision has already been made, I don't feel that residents and taxpayers will be listened to. We have a level of local government already stop messing with it and adding further complications that are driven by political motives.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4

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X83	Disagree with all proposals. More councils are not necessary. Creating more layers of beaurocracy doesn't benefit the residents of BCP.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X84	Divisive Parishing is divisive and sets one community against the other which will lead to more social unrest, e.g.in the first round of consultation one community was said by the Task & Finish to be too rich to be a parish.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
	Discretionary Responsibilities If BCP Council, despite its best endeavours finds itself unable to discharge its discretionary responsibilities, e.g. play areas, car parks, cemeteries, etc, that we have all come to expect, then it should explain why to its electorate and take the appropriate action, which is within its power, to address it.			
	This Review gives the discretionary responsibilities to parish / town councils for them to discharge by way of a precept which is not capped. This fact is not made clear (Gunning Principle).			
	Bureaucracy Parishing creates a confusing and completely unnecessary, additional layer of bureaucracy, each parish with a clerk, finance officer, etc and pension provision.			
	Asset Transfer Lack of clarity to BCP electorate re valuation and transfer of BCP assets to parish.			
X85	Representation of local communities If you wish to establish a council more representative than BCP Council of local community, then I suggest establishing 3 Unitary Authorities - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2
	Do not create this Community Governance scheme It is totally unnecessary			

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X86	Do we really have to vote about establishing Parishes, given the current condition of our society. A Parish will bring peace into the community. Social Cohesion will be fostered - Parishes bring people together, fostering relationships and social connections that strengthen the fabric of the community. Community Outreach and community events will flourish which in turn will enhance the moral and ethical guidance.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X87	Does not give any indications of the startup and operational cost implications. How will it be funded. Is there a budget? If there is not a budget it is all a fantasy.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X88	Don't do it.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH10 7
X89	Don't waste any more money on this.	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
X90	Either have lots of small very local groups or preferably have none. The worst outcome would be two big subgroups. We have enough politics without introducing more infighting !	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X91	Expensive waste of time and money.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X92	Forget it!	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 6
X93	given BCP deficits and likely impact on education and social care, no funding should be being spent on the proposed changes unless there is clear financial and social benefit.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X94	Go back to basics, stop over complicating and keep it simple.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2
X95	Good idea to consult everyone but it is too lengthy and complicated for many people to bother to complete it.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X96	Good idea to seek electorate views - but shouldn't the elected councillors ACTUALLY be doing something and finding this sort of data out themselves?	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7

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X97	happy with the current arrangements. happy as we are	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X98	Having only recently merged three councils into one BCP Unitary Authority with valid reasons, the same reasons apply TO NOT establishing local government at additional levels. Such reform would do nothing to aid local government governance and decision making - rather than the reverse. All the financial savings made in forming the Unitary Authority would be minimised owing to administrative and attendance costs and other costs.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
	I am sure the majority of the population would not vote. The majority of the communities would not appreciate or understand the complexity of any new structure. It is best to have just BCP to address any issues of relevance. It therefore follows that there is an ongoing need to improve current services provided to each in every community using a simple to understand structure where all residents know who to contact and where in order that their short and long term needs can be met. [REDACTED]			
X99	Having previously experienced a parish council "talking shop" in an East Dorset parish, I am of the opinion that with the current inefficiencies in local government generally, this exercise will just provide another layer of unnecessary bureurcracy and expense. Any decisions of importance have to be rubber stamped by BCP; lets get the money potentially spent on parish councils toward improving roads and horrendous congestion in the conurbation. I think my thoughts are not a lone voice in the wilderness.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X100	Hopefully you will all see reason and give up this idea.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X101	Hoping for the town centre for improve have great shops and not pointless more vape and phone shops	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 5
X102	How is this to be funded ?	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1

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X103	I am baffled by this review. Why was it undertaken in the first place and who decided the recommendations. The document indicates that responses suggesting the abolition of parish councils were reviewed but it was deemed that there was insufficient evidence to justify it. Deemed by who? What were the reasons given for the abolition? You dont state them in the document. For Burton for example there were only 5 such responses. This is hardly surprising when the review has been so poorly advertised. It isn't long ago that the merger of Christchurch, Bournemouth & Poole Councils took place. I thought the merger was designed to streamline the councils and save resources. These proposals will simply add extra layers of bureaucracy and confusion for no benefit. Having separate parish councils could mean inconsistencies in decision making. I am concerned that I only heard about this through a political flyer through my door. The flyer indicates that BCP council will ignore responses that only criticise the cost but this has to be an issue in such difficult financial times. BCP council should manage the entire area. I don't see a need for parish councils at all. To add around 140 further councillors is a shocking waste of money.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X104	I am concerned about the disparity in ratios of electors to councillors across the whole of the BCP area. Some parishes appear to have much larger numbers of electors per councillor and this does not seem equitable.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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X105	I am curious as to why it is happening? Is it a central government decree?? Concentration should be on improving the current outputs of BCP. Time Out had Bournemouth in it's rotten Boroughs section quite often.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 8
X106	I am in favour of keeping to the current arrangement, with 76 Councillors representing 33 wards, and do not believe that introducing another layer of councillors in different areas will have any real benefit. In fact the extra layer of bureaucracy could even confuse people regarding which council is responsible for which service. Councillor John Beesley and colleagues have regularly held meetings in Westbourne to update us on what was happening locally and across the whole area. This has worked very well. We knew who to contact, felt connected with our local area and also aware of what was happening more widely across the whole conurbation. The new proposals would seem to me to detract from community cohesion rather than improve it.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X107	I am very opposed to it.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X108	I am wholly opposed to the proposals for the detailed reasons stated in my submission dated 9 June 2025.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X109	I appreciate the consultation but I do not agree with the proposal.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2

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X110	I believe that this council and previous councils have managed to take the heart out of Bournemouth and its areas, I certainly no longer have any pride in saying that Bournemouth is my home town after living here for 40+ years. All I can see being proposed is more layers of governance with no clear responsibility and no benefit to be gained to residents but the ability to "pass the buck" being given to the various councils and associated elements. The area will become more fragmented with no benefit. The current council should improve its own working rather than spreading its inefficiency to more badly operated segments. Keep it simple! Do not confuse residents with more bureaucracy! AND please do not destroy Bournemouth further.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7

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X111	I believe the council should look at doing its job within the current structure, to have yet more governance will only confuse the situation and lead to squabbling over who is responsible for what task. Any change is unnecessary and time wasting whilst there are far more important matters that the council must address.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X112	I believe this to be unnecessary. We became a unitary authority to streamline the areas governance and now it is proposed to create extra layers again. This can only cost more money which the authority does not have and the constituents will struggle to pay for.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X113	I can't believe we are considering going backwards.....	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH1 3
X114	I did not receive the flyer that was meant to have been sent out to every household in BCP. No one in my block of flats received the flyer and I know many other residents did not receive one either. I have concerns about the depth of consultation because of this, especially across the Bournemouth Town proposed area, and lack of responses to this consultation should not be taken as apathy or tacit acceptance of the proposals.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8

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X115	I do not believe that creating several different councils in Bournemouth is either democratic or wanted by the vast majority of residents I believe it will lead to division within the town when we should be working together to get the best possible outcomes for everyone, not just the areas which are more affluent than others and will be able to afford a higher precept. It will lead to a 2 tier town.	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X116	I do NOT want more councillors. the existing BCP councillors to do all the work and MUST work in the offices. Homework MUST stop. No more money to be spent on extra councillors salaries!!!! This whole survey is a complete waste of money and time. Just get on with work in hand.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X117	I don't feel this demonstrated good governance when most of the community is not aware of this change.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X118	I don't think more parish councils should be established as council tax would increase. I am unclear that parishes would benefit each area	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4

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	I don't regard Moordown as being part of Rehill or Northbourne - it is an established area in its own right. While I believe that it is important for ordinary citizens to have their say in how the town is governed, I do not think we need separate committees for various areas. Bournemouth needs to continue to have ONE council, with councillors representing each local ward, who keep in touch with specific local concerns and needs. Moordown already has councillors who are doing a good job - e.g. getting repairs done in the children's playground.			
X119	I am unsure why, in this survey, the council actually needs to know details of people's sex orientation, religious beliefs, and ethnicity... it seems an intrusive way of collecting information about everyone... and nothing to do with whether local councils are actually needed. The council as a whole needs to be improving roads and pavements; and providing more staffed public toilets. It could be beneficial if local councillors occasionally set up local 'chat groups' where residents could express their ideas, requests and grievances - in the cases of Moordown - at the community centre on Coronation Avenue. Yours sincerely, 	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1

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X120	I fear what these proposed changes would bring. More cost to the individual. Concerns about contact and controls if this review agrees to the suggestions ,t has already suggested ,it feel as though what we already have ,that works, will be dissolved., More beaurocracy will be imposed and we do not need that.. What may be changed, being riding roughshod over people. So many new councillors and the same number of residents paying for them. even the cost of this consultation is frightening. We should have a greater say , not the politicians.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X121	i feel it is unnecessary and the present council should not create new councils and create new confusion.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 8
X122	I have grave doubts that any comments here will ever be read by BCP council and as such this survey is a meaningless window-dressing exercise.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X123	I have no idea why these issues cannot wait until the next Council elections. What will be the cost of this revue? What will be the cost of setting up these parishes? Parishes are connected to churches. Why are you calling them parishes as the cultural community is diverse. Will your muslim 'parishioners' be happy with this, or your Jewish citizens?	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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X124	I have not been able to find the expected benefits of the extra councils (the word 'benefits' occurs one, in a different context, across the Recommendation and Information documents). This is surprising given the number of councils, councillors (dozens) and support from officers and systems required. I believe the resources can be better applied, this would seem to trump the unexpressed benefits (just hopes?).	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
	Having joined Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole into a single BCP council there are many opportunities for optimisation and consistency. Responsibilities are clear, benefiting residents and reducing liaison, approval and other demands on council officers (and other resources).			
	The resources needed for the various subsidiary councils, making more decisions, would be better applied to helping BCP council make better decisions. I see this being more officer time available for each issue with greater support to BCP councillors.			
	Many issues benefit from a common approach across the conurbation (eg car park rules and apps, rights of way extending sensible distances to sensible destinations). These ultimately need to conclude the best compromise across BCP, not favour he who shouts louder.			
	Planning, highways and other regulatory matters (Information Document para 5.3) all benefit (residents and council officers) through consistency.			
	Such bodies appear to be unpopular where they have been created (Information Document 5.4.2) and fail to gain community support (Stage 1 Survey para 5.4.2: "repeated uncontested elections...need to co-opt members" which remove democratic legitimacy let alone interest/popularity). Applying the same resources to help the professional officers make sound decisions is probably better for the community.			
X125	I have the strong feeling that these Councils will be forced upon us whatever the opposition is.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X126	I hope that the council will listen to the many objections and drop these proposals.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X127	I just wish BCP council would get back to doing what they should be doing and looking after the three main town rather than creating a petty new structure with all the silly and costly duplication this will entail. Not to mention the massive waste of money this ridiculous consultation is costing the local tax payers. This is wrong on every level.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X128	I live in Queens Park and certainly do not want to be "lumped with" Bournemouth Town or others. The proposals are just adding another layer and set of costs to local government	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X129	I really like these reviews but I think they need to be advertised more. ATM these reviews reach a miniscule amount of people and as far as most don't care. I still don't think decisions like this should be made based on input from a vocal minority	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH11 9

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X130	I support strong, local, community-led governance — but it must be built from the ground up, where residents themselves have clearly chosen that path. I fully support communities who have come together and made the case for parish or town councils where there is genuine local backing.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
	However, in areas like East Cliff and Springbourne, we've taken a different route. For over two years, we've worked collaboratively to establish a Neighbourhood Forum and Plan under the Localism Act — a process that empowers residents, protects local character, and allows us to shape our own future. That work should be respected and supported, not overridden.			
	The current proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council was not developed from our community and does not reflect the direction East Cliff and Springbourne has been pursuing. In fact, options that better reflect our local identity — or even a broader coastal governance model — were not put on the table.			
	If a Bournemouth Town Council is established, then residents in East Cliff and Springbourne should be given a clear alternative and the opportunity to choose. Anything less risks undermining both local democracy and the work already done by communities engaging positively with neighbourhood planning			
X131	I think I've said more than enough. I am not a conservative, but couldn't help but agree with their leaflet. This is too important to introduce to thousands of ordinary people who haven't got a clue what it's all about. I include me in that, even though I have read everything and only had to Google one word!	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9

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	I thought the whole point of merging Bournemouth Poole and Christchurch was to do away with segregation and be inclusive. This is insanity! Undoing the hard work but 10 fold! Not to mention the confusion it will cause! I mean who does the parks, roads, highways, pavement repairs, bins. Social care! "Oh that will be parish" parish: "oh that's Bpc" come off it, it's a buck passing nightmare, nothing will get done! Finally I absolutely dread to think of the costs associated with this. We are in a frugal time, and the publicity alone will cost a fortune, never mind administration and ongoing costs. It's an idea but one to be considered when we're not having families stealing from supermarkets to feed children. Or the council has so many other uses for the very little money we do have. Tl:dr too many layers of bureaucracy and expensive	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 5
X133	I would hope that the BCP Council listen to all the criticism and act in line with the majority of opinions from the general population.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X134	I would simply reiterate that I feel this is a totally unnecessary and unwanted scheme, which is being wished onto the unwitting population of Bournemouth.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH7 7
X135	I'm absolutely against it	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X136	I'd beg you not to divide Bournemouth up. A whole Bournemouth Town Council to mirror Christchurch and Poole makes some sense but the smaller divisions proposed here makes none.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X137	If the objective is to do more to justify the Council Tax we pay all improvements would be acceptable.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X138	If this goes ahead and I hope it doesn't Bournemouth MUST be considered as a whole not slit up into nebulous different parcels, the idea of splitting up Bournemouth alone demonstrates why this is such a bad idea and is being pushed through by people with limited local knowledge but an idea for their own political advantage and I see nothing of benefit in these proposals. I haven't commented on the Christchurch proposals as I don't know enough about Christchurch however I do know Bournemouth and Poole.	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X139	If you feel that localities aren't being represented, you must call a vote of no confidence in BCP. We must disband BCP. We must hold elections immediately.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X140	In my heart of hearts, I believe parishes to be the wrong route for built up urban areas. For micro urban areas, I strongly believe that neighbourhood forums & plans offer a better solution to community governance, as set out in the Localism Act (2011). This review should be a light brush, not a steamroller.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 8

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X141	Interesting but the whole concept needs to be changed into larger units with paid officials and support staff.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
X142	Is there any point in responding to this because you'll do whatever you want to do and this is just a box-ticking exercise?	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X143	It doesn't matter what comes back from this consultation, the decision has unfortunately been made and we will be saddled with another expensive, inefficient and wasteful level of bureaucracy.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 3
X144	IT FEELS AS A WASTE OF TIME AND FUNDING. PLEASE USE £19.9M GRANT FROM THE GOVERNMENT WISELY - INCREASE HOSPITAL & WALK-IN CLINICS STAFF; REMOVE BEGGARS AND VICIOUS DOGS FROM PUBLIC SPACES. THANK YOU.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X145	it is amazing	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X146	It is an expensive waste of time in the current political and financial climate.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X147	It is not long since since the 3 councils merged to form BCP to administer the whole region. This was to streamline things and be more efficient and now, here you are trying to add bureaucratic layers and abrogate your responsibilities.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X148	It is not needed - why is time and money being wasted on this when it could be spent on improving council services?	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X149	It seems entirely pointless and a poor use of council resources.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
X150	It should be immediately scrapped to prevent any further waste of taxpayers' money	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X151	It was not widely advertised enough. People were not aware or given enough time to comment before decisions were made. I am sure more people would have come forward to comment at the previous stage. Some will see it as a extra layer of bureaucracy benefitting no one if large town councils are formed.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X152	It will be interesting to see whether this scheme bears up to scrutiny.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 8
X153	It's a crock of sh*t	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X154	It's a farce and the idea should be scrapped. The people that live in BCP have a huge cost of living (rent, mortgage, council tax) without the London rates we need to survive here. Don't price the local residents who have lived here all their lives out.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH11 9
X155	It's unnecessary, costly and increases bureaucracy. It should have been prom[unknown] for more widely - many BCP residents are blissfully unaware of this attempt to increase taxes - NOT open and transparent local government.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X156	Just do your job, and stop trying to dilute responsibility	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X157	Just in case it is missed elsewhere - I'm horrified at the complexity of this survey. As someone who oversees a market research and insight function, I'm shocked that you believe this is truly accessible to the broadest cross section of our community. I'd be really interested in the representation and sampling size you achieve given the red tape you've put in place through structure, illogical layout and filtering, and general compelxity. Perhaps you should also accompany these with a lighter upfront 'pulse' metric where you can get higher volume, broader feedback, rather than small sample detailed feedback for those that have endured the length of the survey.	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X158	Just leave things as they are if you change things what are residents going to gain by it also Bournemouth is a complete mess you should be sorting that out before starting to change Boundaries & Parish Councils.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7
X159	Just stop wasting money on even more tinkering. You set up this BCP monolith -just make it work	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
X160	Keep council tax bills to a decent level, and stop paying yourselves extortionate wages	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7
X161	Keep it at one layer of Council to gain the best benefit	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 5
X162	Local government needs to stay as it is	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2
X163	More engagement and clarity on town/parish council roles and potential options and opportunities would be better. Feels like making a choice with limited information on alternatives.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X164	N/A	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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X165	no	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
X166	no	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X167	no	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X168	no	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X169	no	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
X170	no	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X171	no	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH2 6
X172	no	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X173	no	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
X174	no	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X175	no	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X176	no	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X177	No thank you	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 9
X178	no thought is being given to the cost of living situation, and there is an expectation that people will just pay the extra in the council tax - it is not needed - current councillors need to link with the people that elected them and truly represent their views, not add another layer of government	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X179	No.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X180	No.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X181	No.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X182	No. This is not a good use of BCP funds	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X183	nope	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 5
X184	Not at this time. I understand that Tom Hayes has already been involved in play areas and plans for Kings Park Nursery. I am hoping that the emerging plans for this important community facility will be coming to fruition asap for the benefit of current and potential community users.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X185	Our area doesn't need another level of bureaucracy. We already have elected representatives & we don't need & cannot afford more.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X186	Our councillors do a great job representing our views and I agree that with a large council area such as BCP, it is important to have councillors from each area. I strongly disagree that we need additional parish councils if BCP continues to operate as one larger council, and we do not need the additional admin and bureaucracy of an additional layer of councillors. We either need BCP or we need parish councils, but we do not need both.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X187	Parish councils are not needed and just adds yet more money to the council tax bill and in my view and from seeing Throop and Holdenhurst Parish, adds minimal value to the local community.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X188	Parish councils are NOT needed. Too much government.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6

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X189	Parish councils attract narcissists because it gives them power and control over the community and planning applications. There is no good from an extra level of bureaucracy.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
X190	Parishes and, especially, parish councillors will not. I believe, add to democratic governance of the area. They are an anachronism and encourage pettiness and overweening spite from their officers	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH11 8
X191	Please advertise these matters clearly next time, this should be a democratic process.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X192	Please do not do anything which would increase the community charge for each property. We cannot afford it !	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X193	Please do not go ahead with it.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X194	Please do not try to bring in any new proposals. Instead us Council Tax payers would benefit if you improve the current system. Cut down on bureaucracy and all work carried out should audited and clearly document of the cost. This new proposal will only increase unnecessary layers into current system and additional cost to each council tax payers.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X195	Please don't split Bournemouth into parishes... this would be a bad idea	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X196	Please focus on benefitting all residents not just pressure groups	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X197	Please stop the exercise immediately and fill in some pot holes. oh and stop building any more dangerous speed bumps	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X198	Please stop wasting council time and money on such vanity projects as this. It does nothing to increase democracy or community in this areas you need to focus on your core obligations first. Do not go around chasing populist hare brained ideas like this! Deliver your services better..!	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X199	Present system to remain	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X200	Really, it's a waste of time and resources as we've only just been forced to become BCP!	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X201	Reduce traffic. Green spaces. Trees.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X202	Scrap it & concentrate on saving money.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH2 5
X203	Scrap it. Councillors are being paid to directly represent ward residents and they should continue to do so without creating unnecessary layers of administration and communication.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X204	See previous comments	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
X205	Seems a complete waste of time and money to me	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X206	Seems like a total waste of money when the Council's finances are at breaking point.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X207	Seems like a waste of time and money.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 6
X208	Stop finding jobs that don't need to be done and get on with all the ones that you aren't doing which makes our once lovely town I was proud of into a run down, neglected town. So glad I don't have holiday flats to let now. I am ashamed of the state of the town. Barricades seem to be the answer rather than looking after things. Shameful.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X209	Strongly disagree with this scheme	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X210	Thank you for letting me have a say	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X211	That it has been failing the town for some time. I have no confidence in you improving it by taking on more councillors. Unless all of them are born and raised here.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 4
X212	The BCP Council's motivation for introducing a new layer of administration to enable it's failures to be redirected away from its own inadequacies is completely wrong thinking. The Council needs to review its ideas for avoiding waste and deterioration which is visible across the area and come up with smarter ideas to improve Bournemouth and Poole we would all be a bit more supportive. Unfortunately the opposite is true.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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X213	The community should govern the council. Employees beyond councillors should be open to public scrutiny. Complaints by residents should go directly to the executive suite of the council. Executives should be controlled by residents including ability to fire and govern salaries. CEO position is grossly overpaid considering their lack of skill and (in)ability to hold executive position in private sector.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X214	the consultation didn't reach a huge number of the residents of East Cliff who don't regularly use social media or the Council's website	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X215	The idea of creating a level of administration below BCP having not long ago combined administration to become BCP seems to me ridiculous unless you also plan to abolish the fairly recently created BCP council. I see no great benefit in creating a large amount of low level relatively powerless administration.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH9 3
X216	The last question about association with a parish boundary suggests that the consultation is lip service to a decision already made. Really poor wording if this isn't the case and really poor approach if this is the case!	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X217	The leaflets have improved accessibility of this study compared to other have your says. I hope we'd be further consulted in a referendum if this goes forward though.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X218	The misinformation spread by our Kinson councillors has been appalling	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7
X219	The money should be better spent and not wasted on these consultations! The majority don't want parish councils so you can stop consulting	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X220	The rationale on which the CGR has been based and the terms of reference written are demonstrably false. There is no such thing as an "informal call" for a CGR. The reporting officer suggested that the council was pre-empting the receipt of a CGR petition, so elected to use its discretionary powers under the relevant statute instead. The threshold for a valid CGR petition is 7.5% of the electorate of an area concerned, which using Poole as an example, is a good 5,000 + electors. The initial CGR consultation had just a handful of responses, not even remotely close to the thousands it would have taken to trigger a petition. Absolutely nobody from the public has asked for this, and it has been concocted entirely from upon high by officers and members of the BCP administration. The CGR has been very poorly advertised, and appears to be a pre-determined scenario, as the council already stated in the terms of reference that it "believes that parish councils could play an important role in terms of community empowerment at the local level". It is impossible to see how the authority can consider any consultation responses received in an objective and evidence led fashion when the very terms of reference governing the CGR already include an opinion on behalf of the entire authority that expresses support and merit in the creation of new parish councils. This is a pre-determined nonsense and if implemented would be a colossal disaster on a national scale. There is nothing else like it across any other unitary area in the entire country. This proposal is ludicrous.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 8

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X221	The review attempts to give the impression that any additional costs would be minimal. It would be fairer to show the possible range of additional costs. Some of the questions in the survey were poorly set out. I was unable to Strongly Disagree with some of the earlier proposals because that option clearly didn't fit on the screen. This is likely to distort the results of the survey.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X222	The time spent on it could, without doubt, have been far more beneficially used!	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3

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X223	The tone of previous question would lead one to believe that the decision has already been taken. If so why waste even more time and money with the survey? It will be interesting to see how the final outcome has been moulded by the responses. I trust such changes will be highlighted as part of the outcome paper.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X224	The whole idea is a waste of money as it appears by the phrasing of the survey questions that the deal is already done. BCP is 'consulting' with us for the sake of appearances - money for this consultation is already costing residents money and you haven't even started yet.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X225	The whole point of the amalgamation of Bournemouth, Poole and Christchurch councils was to save money, these proposals introduce more bureaucracy and would be a waste of tax payers money.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X226	There is no need for another level of Council to be created. There is already sufficient numbers of Councillors to represent residents. Parish and Town Councils historically have low participation at elections with candidates being appointed unopposed. This demonstrates that the public do not support them.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X227	There seems to be no compelling reason, in all the documents and videos, for creating another layer of government. I think government at local and national level and indeed all government agencies (police, etc) need to focus on managing better with what resources they already have.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X228	There should be a referendum to ascertain whether this has support because I believe that it does not have majority public support	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X229	This entire proposal is a waste of money the council claims it cannot afford. After justifying a sharp rise in council tax with letters about serious financial pressures, it's outrageous to now suggest spending on extra councillors, added layers of government, and their expenses. Residents were told that vital services like schools and social care were at risk, yet here you are proposing unnecessary bureaucracy instead of addressing real priorities. Residents haven't asked for this, and they certainly don't want it.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 6

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X230	This idea is insane! Community forums would be much cheaper and realistic	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
X231	This is a bad proposal and is unnecessary.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X232	This is a box ticking exercise in my opinions. Prove me wrong and listen to the responses. Although I have little confidence that you will. I believe you have already made up your minds and it'll end up costing residents a great deal.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X233	This is a complete waste of time and money and should be stopped immediately. We don't need anymore interference in our lives and people with vested interests trying to control BCP.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X234	This is a terrible idea which makes no sense. If you think that BCP can't handle the load then abolish BCP and create distinct councils for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X235	This is a waste of time and taxpayers' money. You should be striving to reduce bureaucracy not create additional levels.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X236	This is an absolute waste of time. I believe the consultation process is flawed as residents do not have all the information needed to make an informed decision. This is just another tier of bureaucracy which will hinder an already flawed and useless council administration. The fact that there is no costings available is another example of the poorly run administration and as already stated means residents cannot make an informed decision, on this basis alone the consultation should be stopped and only be available when all the facts are in and ready to be presented.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
X237	This is an utter waste of time and money at a time when BCP should be focusing on real issues. Not only with this add more cost to residents but it also adds an unnecessary external layer of inefficient bureaucracy and resistance that no one wants.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2
X238	This is just another layer of un-necessary local government and another burden on the council tax payer in Bournemouth as this is a bit like a dog with no teeth chasing it own tail and getting nowhere as it will be run by the "I want brigade and the rest will just have to follow"!	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X239	This is too beurocratic and adds an additional layer of cost that is not required. Get rid of all of the sub parishes and centralise on BCP as a whole.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X240	This is trying to undo the previous changes to create bcp. It is a waste of money and not the right way to address issues/resolve issues. Please do not do this. It is more bureaucracy, more time wasting more wasting of precious money and resources away from what really matters.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X241	This proposal brings inequality to BCP residents. Yes, I would love a paddle park like the Quomps but you should be providing that for everyone! Sort out the bins! same collections across BCP. Services are on their knees, facilities are reducing. Be honest and raise the money equally across the conurbation so that we all have a better quality and equality of life. The town centres of Bournemouth and Poole are already dying. Creating special enclaves like Broadstone will likely speed up that process. I didnt want to be BCP BUT I certainly dont want to be Bournemouth Town.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH10 4
X242	This sounds very confusing; Please don't create additional levels of councils for various small areas, BCP should be responsible for the local services.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X243	This survey has been manipulated to produce a positive outcome. When answering whether you strongly agree or not. The 'Strongly Disagree' button is hidden. Only found by using the slider to slide across to answer. Its clear, this is scam survey and purely used to introduce this additional a new level of bureaucracy. Probably because the local planning department cant function properly, and this adds a new level of bureaucracy to reduce the flow of applications.	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH1 1
X244	This was a Labour party initiative when Blair/ Brown were in power, things have changed since then, please abandon these plans too expensive and not needed.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6

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X245	This whole process is entirely flawed. Ideally we should not be adding another layer of local government which is entirely unnecessary. It will damage community cohesion and create friction between areas and do nothing to regenerate the parts of BCP that need it.	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X246	This will create unnecessary bureaucracy, doesn't reflect local geography and identities and most importantly has no demand from the local community. It will lead to suboptimal outcomes and should not be pursued at a time when BCP council itself is not functioning in its most optimal form. Fully disagree with the proposals.	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X247	This will increase further the already reducing identify of the town following the establishment of BCP. Some residents in the Bournemouth West parliamentary constituency will elect a single MP, some will elect 2, or dependant upon ward size 3, councillors to BCP and now to elect even more councillors to a combination of Bournemouth, Poole or Redhill/Northbourne Parish Councils. I suspect that when a resident has a problem they will increasingly contact their MP as they will be confused as to who is really responsible for anything!	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 9

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X248	To enable a considered debate/decision making there should be much more information on the roles/responsibilities of the new proposed Town/Parish councils along with detailed costings so respondents can make informed rather than knee jerk decisions. For instance where would the new councils operate from? What costs would be involved in leasing premises? What staff would they need? Would these be staff transferred from existing departments or new positions?	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X249	Totally disagree with this suggestion	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X250	Unitisation was supposed to save money and reduce bureaucracy, all BCP residents should be adequately repressed by existing councillors with another layer.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X251	Utter waste of time and money in the proposals and the survey which is biased yet again to get the result BCP Councillors want. Stop wasting our money.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
X252	Very professional. Nobody can complaint they did not have a chance to comment.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X253	Was it necessary?	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X254	Waste of money, my mum does not need to pay more council tax for the parish Town Council. Don't you think the council tax is already too expensive.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH11 8
X255	Waste of money.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X256	Waste of our council tax money already overstretched. stop all thi rubbish	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X257	Waste of public money	Bournemouth Town	Bournemouth Central	BH2 6
X258	Waste of taxpayers time and money	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7

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X259	Waste of time	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X260	We are Littledown and Iford not Bournemouth town centre.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 6
X261	We do not need parish councils.this is a political trick to get parties into power.we do not want to pay more money	Bournemouth Town	Winton East	BH9 1
X262	We have BCP Council which was formed to save local tax payers money. I do not see the need to add more councils. This is a backward step to more inefficiency.	Bournemouth Town	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0
X263	we have enough council governance as a tri borough council (BCP) and do not need another level of governance.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH6 5
X264	we have enough layers of local government already. To add in more people (all of whom will simply be ignored by the Cabinet system) is nothing more than a giant exercise in futility and cost, at a time when there's no money for things that people actually need. Concentrate on delivering the services people want. We do not need more councillors.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X265	We have voted in keen councillors who strive to fulfill our requests/suggestions as best they can given limited finances. Just help them to continue. Most of us cannot afford further increases in the cost of our living and that involves further rent increases - and [unknown] of parish councils.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X266	We should have local representation to maintain standards.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X267	What a terrible waste of time and money. Just run BCP effectively and efficiently, as it should be	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH4 9
X268	What a waste of resources	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7

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X269	What was the point with a unitary authority - if it is going to be taken apart bit by bit.	Bournemouth Town	Wallisdown & Winton West	BH9 2
X270	Where is the benefit to residents from this? the merger was supposed to reduce the number of councillors and layers of governance not create more.	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X271	why are resources not better employed to improve existing council governance, instead of duplicating what already exists. Each resident does not require 2 councillors	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
X272	Why only these areas? I would like to see a similar council in Moordown.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 3
X273	Why the hell are you wasting more money with town councils when millions has been spent amalgamating the three borough councils, it make absolutely no sense. Please stop this lunacy!!!	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 1
X274	Why?	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH8 8
X275	Will lack of engagement be taken as willingness to accept the proposals? How much has been done to ensure all households are notified of the council's proposed changes?	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X276	Wrong time , overly complicated and nebulous options (parishes / town) , and extremely poorly consulted to date.	Bournemouth Town	Kinson	BH10 7
X277	yes DON'T DO IT	Bournemouth Town	Queen's Park	BH8 9
X278	Yes, don't waste Council Tax payers money on this proposal Survey if you have already decided to proceed.	Bournemouth Town	Westbourne & West Cliff	BH4 8
X279	Yes, it's ridiculous, absurd and unnecessary. Empty my bins properly, care for the area, introduce family focused shopping and perhaps we can have a chat about the absurd.	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2
X280	Yes. I feel that the creation, or expansion, of town and parish councils within BCP would be a retrograde and unnecessary step that would negate the the purpose of combining the three council areas a few years ago. As I see it, the creation of more administrative bodies within the BCP area will not only add to confusion over who does what but could lead to division and rivalry. My observation of parish councils is that they are mainly concerned with relatively minor issues, such as bus shelters and village ponds, that to have them will be of little benefit to BCP residents.	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X281	Yes. Just improve your services. You appear to already be doing an abysmal job without introducing another layer of bureaucracy to an already fairly fraudulent council	Bournemouth Town	Moordown	BH9 2

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X282	You could be honest. You want to increase council tax, but that is limited by government. Parish tax or what ever it will be called isn't. So all discretionary spending will be shipped out of council tax and loaded onto the new structure. There will be more councillors, who in the end will be paid further increasing the cost. We had this more local structure a few years ago, then BCP was formed. Moving towards a Bournemouth town, Christchurch town and Poole town council either shows BCP was a bad idea, or you have just found a new wheeze to mug council tax payers for more. Try reducing costs not adding.	Bournemouth Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH3 7
X283	You make this too difficult for people to raise their objections	Bournemouth Town	Littledown & Iford	BH7 7
X284	You should first improve your own services rather than creating new councils to do your job for you. We do not need multiple layers to create confusion in the community	Bournemouth Town	East Cliff & Springbourne	BH1 3
X285	As would be expected in any democratic decision making process, the decision to establish town councils should be based on a referendum.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X286	I hope that the consultation will be transparent and you will listen to responses and publish full results. People are genuinely concerned on changing something that is not broken, and the cost and division on our lovely local community.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X287	[the last few questions] although I willingly would tell anyone my personal preferences/sexual orientation/religion/ethnic group, what it has to do with this 'consultation survey' is beyond me.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X288	A complete waste of time and money. A return to the previous Borough of Poole/Bournemouth Borough Council/Christchurch Council makes more sense than than this proposal.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X289	A comprehensive review, well presented but based on a flawed topic.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X290	A huge, wasteful exercise which the council should not entertain when there are so many real issues to be addressed. What is NOT getting done while all this goes on? The survey process was not good; it needed a different log in from the BCP one to take part although this was not clear until you tried loggin on through BCP and were forced to register a new account. The option check marks did not have a "strongly disagree" category, or at least a check circle that had that title. Process failed at one point and had to start again.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X291	A rushed process of 6 weeks for such an important decision.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X292	A town council would give a voice to local issues and could provide local solutions.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X293	A waste of money. Get the ward councillors to do their jobs.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X294	Absolute waste of time , and in Broadstone forced upon us by LIBERAL DEMOCRATS , how useless they are. Jobs for the usual do-gooders that have nothing better to do that try and run people's lives and now get paid for it , travel expenses, time ? , well to me that is being paid ! About their biggest agenda is to open the very little used toilets , which will pretty much be used by out of the village visitors and not the people that live here. I have lived in Broadstone 34 years and not once has any of my family used them. NO TO A TOWN COUNCIL .	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X295	Additional cost on our council tax will be very important & should NOT EXCEED rate of inflation year on year	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X296	Another complete waste of tax payers money	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X297	As outlined previously I think this process has been handled very poorly, to only now ask for the opinion of the people that are most effected is a serious oversight. This suggests this this process is leading to a predetermined conclusion.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X298	At the moment you don't have enough money to cut the grasses and hedges and fill in all the holes in the roads, clean the signs, and although I could go on, and on, and etc, how are you going to have enough money to pay all the new proposed Councillors? I'm already paying WAY TO MUCH COUNCIL-TAX AT THE MOMENT AND I DON'T WANT OR NEED IT TO RISE ANYMORE.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH17 7
X299	BCP charge a tax on all households to provide a service. I do not want to pay more. The first year may well be £5 but after that, there is no control, so we could be looking at £500.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X300	Broadstone residents should be represented in an area in their own right. A town council in Broadstone would ensure people had their views and opinions heard more clearly and localised problems would be resolved ourselves.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X301	Complete waste of money!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X302	Complete waste of money.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X303	Do not agree with Broadstone having a parish council	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X304	Don't do it	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X305	Don't waste any more money on vanity projects.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X306	Extra councils are not required especially as they would increase local taxes	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X307	Find ways of reducing councils and their spending so that people can afford to live.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X308	For once, please take on board people's opinions and actually work for the people and not your own agendas!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X309	Get people involved that represent us and value our opinions!!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X310	Has the decision already been made and this is a tick box exercise. A vote as in election voting would have got a truer result.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X311	Hopefully next year's local elections will result in a change of ruling party and this ridiculous waste of money will be abandoned.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X312	How much will it cost?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
	What impact will it have on council tax?			
	What will be the benefits to the community?			
	What powers will be delegated to the town council(s)?			
	Assuming this all happens, in 5 years time how will life in BCP be changed for the better?			
	Central government seems set on a course of consolidating local government at the county & district levels (BCP being an example of this).			
	Community Governance is moving in the opposite direction. How do you reconcile this?			
X313	I am against this proposal. Engaging more people to do the same job that we already have elected representatives for is madness and unnecessary.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X314	I am concerned by the additional layer of bureaucracy. However, I support the freedom to take back some control from BCP as it has been so mismanaged. I remain hopeful this will change with a new CEO. The proposals for Poole & Bournemouth are disproportionate to the other areas.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X315	I believe BCP need to catch up with the rest of the south and ensure representation at a local level can take place	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X316	I don't feel that sufficient facts have been shared or are even available to enable residents to make informed decisions that affect their future. Please delay any debate until such time	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X317	I don't feel the general public has been made fully aware of this review and its implications.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X318	I don't believe that sufficient time has been allowed for this important change to local government.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X319	I don't think it should go ahead.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X320	I feel that we do not get much value for all the council tax we pay. We are left to have volunteers for litter pick up, I also feel very annoyed that last autumn we saw lots of brand new grit lorries going to our depot, the grit lorries came round most nights unnecessarily on lots of occasions during the winter. It's things like this that our council tax is wasted on and we do not get services like the verges kept smart, the toilets are all closed, the car park fees are mad to the point that cars are parked all across our roads because no one wants to pay the high fees. Very annoying that to get any decent services in Broadstone we now have to pay extra	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X321	I feel the information was poorly communicated by BCP council as the information only came to light in June and the process had started in March. I don't know why our councillors hadn't put posters up earlier.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X322	I feel the introduction of a Town Council for Broadstone would be great for the area. The main concern for all is the additional uncapped cost to provide services that we are already paying BCP to provide and which they currently failing to do.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X323	I have found it very difficult to complete your review. All I wanted to say was that I do not support the idea of a Broadstone Town Council at all. Instead I seem to have been coping with questions which ask about the desirable qualities of such a body. These questions are irrelevant because I just don't want one. The style of this survey illustrates one of my reasons - excess bureaucracy. Many prices and costs are going up at the moment, and I don't want to have any more costs. I also do not think we need for any more polititions.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X324	I hope that the consultation will be transparent and you will listen to responses and publish full results. People are genuinely concerned on changing something that is not broken, and the cost and division on our lovely local community.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X325	I hope you listen to the people...	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X326	I hope you pay attention to the results of the consultation unlike in the past for things, and if overall people decide they do not want this, you actually abide by that and don't do what you want disregarding their decision.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X327	I know that this consultation will have no effect as this decision is already a done deal.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X328	I reject the proposal to introduce further levels of bureaucracy across BCP.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X329	I still think that Broadstone is a part of Poole and should be under control of the new Poole council if one is established	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X330	I strongly oppose having any additional layers of governance or administration	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X331	I think BCP should address how their finances are currently spent before enforcing more expenses on hard pressed households, particularly with new rules in the pipeline for those on benefits. A lot of people will have their benefits substantially reduced due to new rules in April 2025, carers are likely to loose their financial help and support, and you may say they will have help but first they need to have the capacity to ask for that help. I feel this is a badly timed venture and supported by a privileged few. Also the concept of the parish or town council relies on a modicum of volunteer input, something that is in short supply for long standing young people's supporting activities, such as guides/scouts. What will be the incentive for people to volunteer to give their time to a new concept of town/parish council. Broadstone has historically had a number of worthwhile organisations such as neighbourhood watch, which have been supported by a limited number of individuals, but they have made a difference. However people's life styles and community commitment are changing, and because of this I feel the proposed	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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	precepts are likely to increase astronomically within a short period of time to have a spending power to make a difference and sustain people's interest.			
X332	I think it is a pity that information has not reached all residents, allowing some misinformation to be spread - particularly on social media despite [unknown] efforts from some active participants in our local community.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X333	I think the CGR was poorly communicated. The BCP leaflet looked like a political party leaflet so we binned it. I think this should have been an addressed letter rather than a leaflet given its importance. The pro and anti leaflets arrived several weeks apart and did not contain any information helpful to our decision. Our local councillor instead used social media to organise a community meeting which was well attended and informative. If it wasn't for this we would not have completed the survey.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X334	I think the existing BCP council should continue as setting up local councils will undoubtedly cost more money	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X335	I understand BCP should have informed every household by letter/leaflet of the consultation, this clearly hasn't happened in my area of Broadstone; therefore unless you have social media (which a lot don't) people are not aware.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X336	I would have preferred this to go to vote.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X337	I would like to feel that you do listen. Thank you	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X338	I would not like to see some services just dumped from BCP to offload their responsibilities	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X339	I'm extremely concerned about the multiple layers of local governance. Its extremely confusing, cannot possibly be cost effective and the current structure seems unable to support residents, how on earth can a more complex structure help?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X340	I'm pleased that this is taking place.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X341	I'd like to say stop wasting our tax pounds on unnecessary projects such as this CGR.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X342	If BCP council are up to the job they are elected and paid to do, any further layers of costly governance should be unnecessary and just another increase in local taxes. How can BCP agree to parish councils when local government forced us into a unitary council which we were supposed to be persuaded would be more cost effective and efficient? Why on earth having shrunk 3 councils into one (against our better judgement) thought to be stupid enough to now agree to the total opposite. STOP THIS WASTE OF MONEY NOW.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X343	If you go ahead with this it is a total waste of council taxpayers money and a disgrace after you amalgamated the three councils into BCP despite strong public feeling against it. You are wasting even more money holding the survey. You are now admitting you got this wrong. You should be ashamed of yourselves and I, along with most other residents will be voting for Reform as soon as I can. Guarantee to reduce councillors and staff in BCP and you might just get approval although no one trusts you any longer.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X344	Improved transparency required to allow an informed decision to be made by members of the affected area under consultation	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X345	It is disappointing that the distribution of the BCP council's governance review leaflet was largely un[unknown]. Being distributed by Royal Mail means it loaded with names this 'flyers'. As our meetings over 90% who asked claimed they didn't received the flyers. Those that did, did not know or [unknown] what a governance review was. As a result social media had a field day with much misinformation being offered and could be described as scare[unknown]	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X346	It is my understanding that these proposed Pariah Councils are supposed to be apolitical, how can BROADSTONE be that when it is likely that both of our current representatives are Liberal Democrat and will likely follow their own agenda as they are both forceful people. I am not happy with that situation.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X347	It is not required. Stop wasting money.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X348	It must be a 'Yes' for a Broadstone Town Council	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X349	It should be better advertised by appropriate leafleting. Majority of people did not receive information. Elderly people/vulnerable who do not use social media, IT or are not mobile are excluded.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X350	It will increase costs with no benefit to residents. We don't need another tier of government	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X351	It's a crock of shite. End of.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X352	It's another waste of time and resources. The country is in a cost of living crisis. This will not help and will only have a negative financial impact	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X353	It's good	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X354	It's a waste of money and resources.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X355	Just make it Democratic and put all changes to a vote.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X356	Just seems a waste of time when we have a council	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X357	Just stop messing about and sort out the present problems!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X358	Just stop wasting money and get on with the job.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X359	Leave things alone . Everything you touch is a disaster. Wentworth drive has become ridiculous thanks to you not listening to the residents	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X360	Leave things as they are	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X361	Let's make local government more efficient by cutting bureaucracy rather than creating more of it.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X362	Listen to the residents	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X363	Local people need more say in the way their area is represented and not completely under the cloak of BCP which I feel has failed local people i.e. the closure of public toilets, potholes and complete stop of keeping the road and paths accessible. The whole area is a mess with Ragwort and overgrown areas that use to be cut, not a good look for tourists entering our beautiful area. Very disappointed on the lack of pride shown	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH21 3
X364	My comments apply to the idea of Town Councils for the whole area. If you want Town Councils lets shut BCP Council down as it will be totally pointless and expensive to have two councils doing the same thing.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH17 7
X365	My experience of Town Councils as a Borough and Unitary Council Employee is that they are too Parochial and waste a lot of time, energy and money without thinking of the wider picture for the wider area.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X366	no	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X367	no	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X368	No it seems a good plan	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X369	No we believe it is not needed	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X370	No.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X371	Not needed	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X372	Now we have been absorbed into BCP, Poole once again feels like the poor relation, the most disadvantaged by comparison with being an independent Borough. It's hoped that having more personal style parishes we can have a better say in our governance.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH17 7
X373	Only that it is a waste of ratepayers money.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X374	Please do not add extra layers or complications to a democratic system which works. ie, KISS.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X375	Please don't go ahead with this. Your residents can't afford the extra cost and bureaucracy	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X376	Please don't do it. delay or forget it .	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X377	Please ensure that this is a fair process, with clarity about what you are looking for to consider moving to parish and town councils. If you simply decide to go ahead, when there is a majority who are voting in this survey against the proposal, you will lose all credibility.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X378	Please learn from other areas recognising that additional layers are not effective and just create more barriers and slower ability to make changes. Please invest and strengthen what we have rather than trying to add more unnecessary people.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X379	Please make it as non political as possible	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X380	Please make it clear what will CHANGE as to people not involved in this day to day, the detail is a bit lost within this document.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X381	Please publish and publicise the results so they are accessible to all BCP residents.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X382	Please refer to my previous remarks.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X383	PLEASE STOP THIS; stop increasing complexity and increasing spending, when its just not worth it. No company would run this way, or if it did, it would go bust very quickly. The council should be run like a company to make money to cover its costs and return any profit back to the people. i would also vote to change the pay structure as i don't think anyone who works for the government should get paid more then the prime minister. but thats just another grumble.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X384	Probsbly not worth it. A very biased survey if you can call it that	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X385	Public meetings should be held. Information more readily accessible.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X386	Residents should have been made more aware of this - no one I know here is aware and what is being proposed.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X387	Ridiculous concept. We do not need more ineffectiveness and those pushing their own agendas, free to treat constituents with distain. We need more officers on the ground. This proposal should not be taken forward.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X388	Scrap it	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X389	Simply to connect earlier comments. I feel the small parish councils set against the large conurbations make little sense and will inevitably lead to increased costs. The number around Christchurch stick out as does one just for Broadstone in the whole of the Poole area	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X390	Stop asking people to pay more in a cost of living crisis. Waste of money!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X391	Stop doing wasteful reviews and just get on using what's there now	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X392	Stop waisting money on pet projects	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X393	Stop wasting council tax payer's money. Stop this review, cancel any increases in bureaucracy. Put your efforts into reducing the costs of the existing council.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X394	Stop wasting tax payers money.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X395	Strongly opposed	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X396	Thank you for the opportunity to respond.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X397	The councils should not have been merged. Now we are proposing that we have additional parish council to carry out what should be done by BCP More unqualified people to make decisions and cost the tax payer more money Total incompetence on all levels, why add to it? Also if this goes ahead will there be a reduction in BCP council tax? Probably not, for improvements BCP need to look at how many on the payroll are earning more than 80K a year	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X398	The creation of BCP council was to enable services to be efficient because of the greater scale. this change would take us back to even smaller areas therefore lest efficient.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X399	The creation of Town Councils underneath BCP Council will lead to multiple layers of Local Government for no tangible benefits to the local communities. The time would be better spent on improving the services that BCP Council should be providing to local residents.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X400	The entire scheme and proposal is completely unnecessary, it adds unreasonable levels of bureacracy and tax burden on residents and businesses.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X401	The financial implications for individual households need to clarified as people will, generally speaking, be against any proposals that have a negative impact on their finances.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X402	The first I heard of this review was very recently when a flyer came through the door. I am not on any social media and obviously have not been keeping a close enough eye on the BCP website. The consultation and indeed, it seems, the planning for new parish councils is obviously now well advanced before I have had the opportunity to make my views known. BCP should perhaps make more effort to include those of us who do not wish to be involved with social media. Incidentally I am not at all impressed by BCP saying they will not take account of any objections to these proposals on the grounds of costs. Cost should be taken into account in any BCP decision and it does not reflect well on the Council's financial management credentials.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X403	The have been no BCP leaflets or resident communications within Broadstone. Local councillor led online forums has been misleading and used fear factors to sell the proposal without any supporting evidence.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X404	The important issues are how services will change, how the costs will change and what other benefits I will see, yet the vast majority of the document covers the minutiae of how the arrangements might be made. I don't feel disconnected from the current councillors and consider that my interests are sufficiently represented by them.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X405	The review is political designed to increase no of councillors. One political flyer about the proposal, stated how well the system worked in Waveham. I volunteered with a youth organisation there for over 20 years and found the system difficult to work with. Some town councillors were also county councillors. Applications for help had to pass between both councils which delayed progress as they argued about who was responsible. In some cases [unknown] had to be cancelled because deadlines were missed. BCP spent money a survey about the keyhole bridge. They published the result but chose to ignore it, resulting in a high court case at more expense.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X406	The survey was awkward - need to be clear when the survey answers won't submit - what the reason it (due to compulsory question not answered)	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X407	the time would be better spent dealing with the present situation rather than creating more time-consuming meetings for even more people	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X408	The voting system is not suited to non web users like the elderly	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X409	The whole process is unnecessary. This is no more than an admission that the BCP merger is an unpopular failure and an attempt to make people feel better about it by charging them to have a pointless, powerless administrative body with the same name. Just drop the whole idea and if you need a 10% council tax increase do it openly.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X410	There should have been a proper referendum for ALL the residents to get a fair result	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X411	There has been poor communication thus far particularly for residents who have limited access or no desire to rely on social media for such important issues which by its very nature undermines democracy. A council letter to all residents should have been the first line of communication Residents have been failed at the first hurdle.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X412	There is not enough information provided for residents to respond properly. No time scale, no mention of how the decision is going to be made, no mention of will the results be made public. It is much too soon after the formation of the new BCP Council	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X413	There seems to be very little information on the cons of the recommendations. There must be some!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X414	This all appears to be an exercise to restore some of the functions that were lost by local communities upon the creation of BCP. By restoring Poole "Town" Council that will be of huge benefit to ALL residents within Poole. Similarly the same will probably apply to residents and businesses of Bournemouth and Christchurch. Poole Town can then work effectively within BCP. But don't make Broadstone separate from Poole; it is not!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X415	This has been very poorly communicated to the residents of Broadstone and I only found out about it by accident! a letter from BCP council should have been posted to every household along with this year council tax letter	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X416	This is a complete and utter disaster and BCP should focus on getting things right with current structure rather than add more last which will enable those at the top to hide or delegate more. Totally unnecessary expense considering there have been so many redundancies within BCP recently	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X417	This is a farce and should be stopped. It is a waste of money and resources. Why impose change on the majority due to the organisation of a minority of towns.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X418	This is a total waste of time and money when the time and money could be better spent on providing better services.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X419	This is a waste of money as the work activities should be done by BCP or those employed by them or removed from the department and replaced by someone who is more competent	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X420	This is a waste of money, and establishing town councils will harm your constituents who will have to pay twice for the same service. You will make an enemy of the constituents when they realise they have been sold a dream which will cost them money and never deliver	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8

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X421	This is being forced on us locally by politically motivated local councillors who are biased on local Facebook groups. Local meetings have been made with pre agreed questions. And delivered in local businesses hosted by non local business people who are not residents in Broadstone.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X422	This is just another way to take even more money from the residents of BCP, where are we expected to find this additional cost?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X423	This is long overdue and should have been done when BCP was formed, as they did in Christchurch. I hope it goes ahead	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
	It is crucial though that BCP Council support these new councils and do not drag their feet in transferring assets or hold them to ransom. These communities deserve the right to run themselves without extended delays			
X424	This proposal is unwanted and unnecessary governance	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X425	This represents unnecessary layers of local Government for zero benefits. The plans will add confusion over which council does which jobs - keep it simple and stick to BCP you have just created! It won't help community cohesion by having multiple council layers in each area. BCP should improve their own services rather than creating new councils to blame for not doing the jobs they should be doing. Complete reversal on the previous decisions that will just cost us money for no benefit. If this is a proper consultation you will publish the results, including the negative comments.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X426	This review is a really important opportunity for Broadstone to take more control over local decisions and build something that's genuinely community-led. Residents here are passionate about where they live, and a town council would give us the tools and platform to do more for ourselves—whether that's looking after green spaces, shaping local priorities, or simply responding quicker to what the community actually wants.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
	That said, if the recommendation goes ahead, it's vital that BCP Council supports the transition properly. Setting up a new council isn't just about paperwork—it's about giving the community the confidence, funding, and practical help it needs to get started on the right foot. That includes clear communication, training for new councillors, and a sensible handover of any responsibilities or local assets.			
	It's also important that local people are kept involved beyond this consultation. There should be ongoing opportunities for residents to help shape how the town council works—not just now, but during its first year and beyond. Done right, this can be a real step forward for Broadstone.			
X427	This Review is ridiculous. It's more people who like the sound of their own voice and like to think they are important	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X428	This seems like a cheap way to offload some of the work that BCP should be doing themselves. It is a very complex proposal with little powers for the councillors who you might be lucky to appoint.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X429	This seems to be change for the sake of change. It was all merged, now we seem to be having more levels of local government. I think BCP council should concentrate on governing the whole area without dividing services between different areas.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X430	This whole exercise is a waste of rate payer's money. It's just not needed if the BCP can't manage the items on the list then they should be disbanded yet another reason to get back to the Borough Council.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X431	To be honest I don't believe that you will pay any attention to the wishes of the people who live here. This is all about lining your own pockets - shame on you!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X432	Totally not required	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X433	Town and parish councils may serve a purpose where boroughs or towns suffer from poor democratic representation. I do not believe this applies or should apply in the BCP council area and would advocate existing local parish and town councils be abolished	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X434	Very poorly communicated and the set up for many elderly people will discriminate against them due to ability using this form, very few of my neighbours have heard about this and most do not use the library	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X435	wanting a smaller council to appreciate the needs of area.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X436	Waste of money and creating unnecessary expense to cover up failings if BCP properly meet their responsibilities	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X437	Waste of money and resources	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X438	Waste of money,bcp council do their job.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X439	Waste of time and money, I can't believe with only 73 responses you believe you have a mandate to progress to this stage. Very interesting you have not put a summary table of for and against in this document, very telling and misleading to leave that to each individual write up!	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X440	Waste of time and money. Focus on things that will make a positive difference to our area.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9

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X441	We are being stitched up. Doubtless it will go ahead whatever the outcome of this survey.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X442	What a waste of time, money and resources in these current difficult times which shows the present powers to be totally self interested and have no understanding of the National let alone local issues	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X443	What happens if there are not enough councillors for each ward and town council?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X444	Why are we paying more for BCP community tax for less services that now have to be covered by a new local tax?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X445	Will there be a way of input from locals to councillors on various issues ie, a questionnaire type to assist with the various issues to voice opinions or a clear way of contacting councillors	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X446	With the current pressures and challenges facing local authorities, and the recent move to a unitary authority, this consultation is a positive activity.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X447	Would the council tax paid to BCP be reduced to reflect its diminished responsibilities?	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X448	Would enable more local input.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X449	Yes - please listen and do not ignore	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X450	YES I STRONGLY DISAGREE WITH EMPLOYING OR SUBSIDISING ANY MORE UNNECESSARY PEOPLE WITHIN BCP	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X451	Yes Stop wasting money and start running the area properly.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X452	Yes, dissolve BCP let's go back to Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth Town Councils. Lets face it BCP look like they're in deep financial trouble so, get rid of the BCP.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 8
X453	Yes, I don't agree with it	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X454	Yes, the review reveals that extra layers of councils begs the question as to why the amalgamation into BCP took place does it not. Extra layers do not help community cohesion and as in Wales creates tribal rivalry for scarce resources and poor government locally	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X455	You didn't let us vote to combine 3 town councils, now you want to divide them and likely charge us more tax. No. If you want to divide then give us back the three separate town councils.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH17 7
X456	You go big and now you are going small but a costly and unnecessary duplication.	Broadstone	Broadstone	BH18 9
X457	A lot of things are done in the name of progress but not always for the better . Somethings are better left . And most things that are changed are usually for the council's benefit ie money and not for the benefit of the community but for the individuals that sit at the top table reaping the benefits. Let's have something done or not changed for the people's benefit for a change .	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X458	Don't waste money. Go for quality over quantity. Endeavour to create a 'real' community	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X459	Given the limited number of statutory functions of parish and town councils what is the justification for the gross variation in precepts?	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X460	I think that the proposals are a good idea, as communities will be better represented in smaller units of the BCP area. Residents may well feel more engaged if they have a say in more local matters and BCP will have a greater understanding of their residents wishes.	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7

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X461	I would like to raise a broader concern about the overall structure of local government in our area. The current arrangement—where Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) is governed by a separate unitary authority, while Dorset is governed by a separate county council—creates an inefficient and costly two-tier system. This division results in duplicated services, fragmented governance, unnecessary bureaucracy, and a significant waste of taxpayers' money. From a cost-effectiveness and value-for-money perspective, it would be far more sensible to operate under a single, county-level authority that covers the entire geographic area, including Bournemouth, Christchurch, Poole and the rest of Dorset. This would streamline operations, eliminate duplicated executive structures, reduce administrative overheads, and enable a more strategic and unified approach to service delivery. Local representation could still be preserved—and arguably strengthened—by empowering a network of smaller town and parish councils beneath the single county-level authority. These local councils would ensure that community voices are heard and local priorities addressed, without the inefficiencies and costs associated with running multiple large-scale governing bodies. In the context of the Community Governance Review, I urge the Council to not only look at the boundaries and structures of parishes and town councils, but to also consider the wider governance framework and how it could be reformed to deliver meaningful savings, reduce bureaucracy, and provide better, more joined-up public services for all residents.	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X462	No thank you	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X463	Nothing	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X464	Seems like a waste of money when it could be better spent on repairing the roads and clearing the disgusting amount of litter along the Christchurch bypass and others in the borough. Re-drawing lines on a map does not improve peoples' lives. Restricting huge development of rural areas, stopping building on every spot of green space, giving people fresh air and open spaces, improvements to Bournemouth Town Centre which is frankly a disgusting place now - full of drugs and just horrible. These are the things that money should be spent on, not "Task and Finish Groups" and ever expanding demands on our Council Tax which just goes up and up with no signs of improvement in the quality of life for residents. All we see is more and more green space swallowed up by greedy developers hand in glove with corrupt councils.	Burton & Winkton	Burton & Grange	BH23 7
X465	The Review - It should be more widely advertised	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X466	At a recent residents meeting of the Friars Cliff Residents Association (FCRA), some 80 residents attended for a debate of community governance. With a show of hand only 5 wanted to stay in CTC, a few absentions with the vast majority of the opinion that Friars Cliff had common issues with HWPC and would be better served in that Parish Council	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X467	Boundary reviews are unnecessary and a waste of public money. Just carry on as you are.	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X468	Congratulations on a professional piece of work but please take seriously the wishes of Friars Cliff residents to join Highcliffe and Walkford. Highcliffe, Walkford & Friars Cliff Parish is perfect.	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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X469	Cost - how is the calculated per council? Christchurch is higher than most.	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X470	Council tax should be reduced and services improved	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X471	Don't make changes to the wards. There is no need.	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X472	Expensive and not necessary.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 3
X473	Giving the community the option to influence topics in their immediate area is positive. The other side of this coin is that many people are concerned that increases in precepts or the creation of such charges at a time of economic trouble is counter-productive. It could be overcome by reducing the number of BCP councillors and lowering the base council tax charge.	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X474	I am absolutely appalled and disgusted at the way in which the Conservative and Poole Engage groups, including at least one branch officer posing as a "community leader", have spread huge amounts of misleading information and a number of outright lies on social media - Facebook particularly - in relation to this review. The assertion that these are "the Lib Dems' secret plans", for instance, which has no foundation in fact and is laughable given the 4-hour public scrutiny meeting and 536 pages of responses and assessments published back in March; or that town and parish councils "have no statutory powers" (when, besides being statutory consultees, they are legally responsible for neighbourhood plans plus the administering of allotments, the latter function dating back to 1908). You'll have noticed too how only the most mammoth precepts have been cited by these propagandists, such as the £440 charged per year for a Band D property by Falmouth Town Council with no mention of, say, Highcliffe and Walkford Parish Council, which charges £27 a year; or Burton and Winkton, which charges £17. I hope that those responses clearly influenced by the more egregious disinformation are given lesser weight, therefore, when assessed by the OSB working group.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 2

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X475	I am extremely concerned at the additional costs that will be imposed on tax-payers, especially in light of the poor management witnessed so far at the tertiary level. It is a circumvention of the limitation placed by central government on the funding of unitary authorities and the like - I would agree that such funding needs to be increased but it should be without all the additional admin costs that come with the divesting of services to a 3rd level. There's my dilemma! Cuts should not be necessary. The proposals for shifting services down to parishes should be costed and made public (the parish costs certainly haven't been 'planned' for the last 6 years).	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 3
X476	I had not heard of this until today(Wed 8th March 2025) and feel that it needs to be made more widely known to the local communities. We locals place great value on where we live and do want to be included. I realise that many people might not be bothered but there are enough of us who are, if only we saw all this information. It is of vital importance that transparency is maintained	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X477	I hope the review shows that this is a poor use of budget for an unrequired 2 tier system that only serves self important individuals wanting to be councillors and not residents at all. We cant afford this, either in precepts to households or as a council.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X478	I strongly feel more affinity to nearby Highcliffe, which is a short walk to, than to remote Christchurch, a bus ride away and a town as opposed to a village and I and my family would strongly prefer being part of Highcliffe and Walkford than Christchurch	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X479	I would like to abolish parishes, it's just another way to add cost to the ever increasing council tax. Just be honest and run BCP as one without parishes. I have no clue what it is they even provide for the community.	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X480	If it is not time critical, who is driving it and what is the motivation behind a cash strapped Council undertaking this review now?	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X481	If parts of the area end up un-parished provision will be needed to set a precept to cover the costs of provision of services which are provided by Parish councils in other areas such as children's play parks.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X482	It is too complicated.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X483	Its important that the local areas of the town; Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole maintain as much control as possible of local services, solutions and plans. The democratically elected should determine how resident's Council Tax is allocated and spent. All proposals and plans, should have majority taxpayer approval. Greater use of technology should be used, so that Council Tax paying Residents can vote on proposals. All proposals should demonstrate or outline a or the Return on Taxpayer Investment. Under NO circumstances should planning	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2

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	decisions be made without the agreement of local taxpaying residents. All plans should recognise and retain the cultural heritage of the area, as determined by the Town or Parish Councils.			
X484	Make the local services more efficient. Have performance related bonuses for staff.	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 3
X485	no	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X486	no	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X487	No thank you	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X488	No.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X489	Parish councils are a great idea to get local people more involved in their area and ensure local issues don't get lost in bigger BCP	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X490	Please listen!	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X491	Put Christchurch back to how it was and give them all their assets back.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1
X492	Realistic detailed costings needed to show expense of the proposals, and also analysis of the financial return on investment from existing Town/Parish Councils.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 2
X493	Really pleased to have been asked to submit an opinion on my area and being able to comment and do hope you listen.	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X494	Some may see the purpose of the community Governance Review as a return the local government before BCP	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X495	Thank you for opportunity to comment	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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X496	The categories of responsibilities for the town and illegitimate BCP council should be opened up for debate. Planning should sit with each town council not BCP. The current spit of two planning committees is utterly bonkers. Planning is the key role of local government and this should be for each town council, not BCP. BCP should be got rid of altogether, a first step is not letting it mess up the future of the area.	Christchurch Town	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X497	The current parish councils don't offer any real service to their communities and are inept at what support they can provide. The system is outdated and needs to be rebuilt from the community.	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 1

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X498	The review doesn't give the option of - I don't want extra levels of bureaucracy; BCP council was formed and now you want to split out into town and parish council and shift responsibilities. This will cost more to the public and lead to further confusion for the pinto about who does what. We understand there is insufficient funding - but this will not solve problems it will create more. This is not a solution - do not split bcp council roles and responsibilities further !	Christchurch Town	Christchurch Town	BH23 2
X499	Very supportive in general but a Bournemouth just too big	Christchurch Town	Commons	BH23 2
X500	We feel strongly Friars cliff should be part of Highcliffe and Walkford	Christchurch Town	Mudeford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X501	Why now?	Christchurch Town	Mudeford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X502	Yes - please consider this important change from the perspective of the residents and the cultural and geographic alignment of Friars Cliff to Highcliffe.	Christchurch Town	Mudeford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X503	As mentioned in my previous comments. I have no idea if there is a cost associated with any of the recommendations. As there are no proposed changes from Highcliffe & Walkford, it would be good to understand if those places with no changes will incur additional costs for areas that do have proposed changes.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudeford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X504	Complete waste ov money	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X505	Hope my views are counted.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X506	Hycliffe and Walkford should have their own parish similar on to not be part of BCP or Christchurch Town Council. To have more say in funding for the community	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudeford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4

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X507	I'm writing to support the extension of town and parish councils to Bournemouth and Poole. As a member of Highcliffe & Walkford Parish Council, I know they can be a great boost to communities: improving local services, supporting local projects and assets, and offering direct local representation. They also provide incredible value for money, as every penny raised by the council is spent within its parish. At HWPC we manage two nature sites, two allotments, a recreation ground & pavilion, and a playpark, on behalf of the community. We're also poised to take on two more major assets. We provide annual community Christmas lights & trees. We fund sports groups, scout & guide groups, a toddler group, local arts charities, community gardening, and various other local projects. Our grants make possible the Highcliffe Food & Arts Festival and Clifftop Music Festival. We're also investing in the wider community. We're developing joint-funded partnerships with BCP to deliver major improvements to cliff pathways and public conveniences, which wouldn't happen without our involvement. We're holding funds to support improved playpark equipment, tree-planting projects, high street investment, and more. All of this is delivered with a tiny precept of £32.87 pa for an average household. For a Band D home with two adults, that's £1.37 per person per month. We're also a valuable link between local groups, businesses and residents. Local people appreciate our role and regularly reach out to us for support. We're embedded in our community, and directly responsible only to that community. It's the most local form of democracy we have. The debate around town and parish councils across BCP has been dogged by persistent and irresponsible misinformation, from one political group in particular. It's been claimed, without any evidence, that new councils would charge residents up to £400 per year. This would be more than 12 times the rate in HWPC. The anti campaign has also implied that new councils would have no powers and would be a waste of money. Yet every penny goes back into the community. Councillors are unpaid volunteers, and most parish councils have only one or two part-time local officers. And the list of projects which we fund shows the value of a town or parish council. The anti campaign has grossly misrepresented what a local council can do and should be. It's unfortunate that BCP hasn't done enough to challenge this narrative. The anti campaign has been allowed to dominate the discussion, and will probably overwhelm the consultation. It would be a great shame if this opportunity was lost due to a swarm of misinformation. It's ironic that the people campaigning against local councils also complain about a lack of investment in their own communities. But with authorities gutted after a decade of austerity, and no end in sight, BCP's financial powers are blunted. It's through town and parish councils that local interests, projects and groups can be supported. To ignore this is nothing short of fiscal and democratic illiteracy.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X508	Just get on with it, more importantly have proper structured monthly BCP meetings with a set agenda, positive minute reviews including AOB and get the meetings focused. Put a stop to all the outside chanting, ban all electronic aids during the meetings this includes the poor lady that continues knitting ☹️ very distracting!! and reduce the need for so called democratic services.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X509	Let's go back to 3 boroughs under Dorset please?	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 4
X510	Most people are unaware of Parish councils and what they can or cannot do	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X511	Much depends on how able the PC cllrs are and how well they are supported. BCP should encourage the formation of residents associations in each area to hold them to account.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X512	no	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 4
X513	no	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X514	no	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X515	No thank you	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X516	parish councils should be removed from BCP to save costs for the limited functions available and do not necessarily reflect the political makeup of the administration thus creating tensions and non alignment of priorities in the exercise of even those limited functions.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 4

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X517	Sounds like a good proposal	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X518	This is just another example of BCP taking money from Christchurch to subsidise Bournemouth and Poole. The community governance review specifically mentions Bournemouth and Poole with Christchurch as an after thought shown as an asterisk on the flyer.	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X519	Will any notice be taken of any responses or have decisions already been made?	Highcliffe & Walkford	Highcliffe & Walkford	BH23 5
X520	Would it not be more useful to wait until the likely changes under Governments devolution proposals are confirmed avoiding the possibility of unnecessary costs of implementing these changes?	Highcliffe & Walkford	Mudford, Stanpit & West Highcliffe	BH23 4
X521	No	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X522	No	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X523	The Governance review has been very poorly communicated, hardly anyone of my neighbours or friends living in Creekmoor have heard about it	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X524	[unknown] a poor map! Cannot read it.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X525	1) I would suggest that the number of elected BCP members be reduced as much as their work could be done by Town Councils 2) A review of what elected members do 3) Why has Broadstone been left out?	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X526	A clearer explanation and defined costs	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X527	A lot of council tax payers' money was spent on this review. It could have been better spent on services. BCP council should do their job, not set up town councils to do it for them.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X528	A lot of time was spent making the separate councils into BCP council and now more time and money is being wasted setting up town councils when the existing council can not do its job.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X529	A pointless, expensive and sinister gerrymandering of Ward boundaries.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X530	a total waste of money.costs of welfare and staff pensions are already proving to be too high.the money to be spent on the latest proposals would be better spent on improving local services such as highway maintenance and repairing pothles.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X531	A total waste of public money.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X532	a total waste of time and money	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X533	A town council will improve our area and benefit our community immensely.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X534	A very comprehensive information campaign with considerable debate online and in selected groups. However, the current demographics of the BCP Council area preclude access as well as understanding by many. (elderly and foreign speaking persons come to mind). Increasing governance and oversight will not solve the problems currently facing the BCP Council. Spending Council Tax on increasing the quantity and quality of service should be the Goal. This can only be achieved by investing in human and other resources to meet the various requirements.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X535	A waste of money.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X536	A waste of time and money.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X537	A waste of time and tax payers money.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X538	Absolutely don't want a separate new town council, I don't think it would benefit any body and just more tax to pay on top of already crippling council tax would be unlivable as on top of a mortgage on minimum wage there is nothing left, and no point in working just to give it all back and then have nothing to show for it I would probably become homeless as would not be able to live in my own home	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X539	Adding in additional layers to our governance system takes us further away from the decision makes	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X540	All proposals unnecessary. Just do your job please.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X541	all seems ok	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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X542	All services provided by BCP Council should be reviewed on a regular basis in the interests of Improvement. I do not consider the creation of a Parish Council for Poole Town as an Improvement, I see it as an excuse to Tax residents further for no Improvement in services.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X543	Already a waste of money, lets not waste anymore	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X544	Although I have not commented on the proposals which are outside of the Poole area, as I am a resident of Poole, I would like to say that I do think it would be a positive move for the whole of BCP area to be parished - many of the reasons I have set out above that relate to Poole will relate to other areas. It would also be positive to have the parish level of local representation in all areas rather than only in some areas as currently exists which results in different levels of local representation within BCP.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X545	Although my wife and I feel that, as Ashley Cross residents, we are not currently represented by any of the draft Parish/Town Council areas, we both think that I think that Parish/Town Councils are a good idea because they will mean that decisions on more localised issues such as planning applications and funding for locally based projects such as youth clubs and community areas/parkland will be able to be taken by people even more locally based than our current local councillors and by people who are not necessarily politically affiliated, but more genuinely interested in local issues as local community representatives/activists. Also, at a time when finance is scarce, drawing this in to more localised areas, especially in Poole, which loses out financially to Bournemouth and Christchurch, has to be a good thing. We therefore look forward to seeing how Broadstone and Poole Town's Parish/Town Councils develop and progress.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X546	An interesting plan that seems like an elaborate way to raise council tax and escape the BCPs debt burden - But it is something that has to be done and as a bonus Poole gets its council back.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X547	An urgent review of the current council structure is needed to improve the quality not quantity of existing BCP councillors	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X548	Another layer of local government is unnecessary. The local councils of Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth were amalgamated into one authority without any consultation and now BCP want to introduce another tier which will be a waste of time and our hard earned money	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X549	Another level of community governance is not needed. We are already represented within bpc.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3

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X550	Another waste of council tax money!	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
X551	As a council tax payer, I do not agree with Parish Council proposals on financial grounds. The last thing needed is extra strata of bureaucracy.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
X552	As above its good work but undermined by the fact that BCP remains the problem at the heart of it.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X553	As already stated from the review there is no list of services to be transfered, no costings and no business case for such a change . The change is likely from what i have seen with other Town and Parish Councils an unwelcome additional chare tog a body with little clout in terms of influencing very much . The additional cost to Council taxpayers at a time of high increases in costs for essentials of every day life make this in my opinion unfair and unjustified.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
X554	As I was born in Poole and lived here all my life, I feel the creation of BCP council was an insult to the Ancient Borough and County Town of Poole and the sooner it returns to a parish council the better.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X555	As previously noted in this feedback. This consultation survey appears to indicate the inevitability of the outcome and treats the formation of these new entities as a given. This is rather poor and appears to indicate the presiding authority has no desire to listen to the feedback of its wards and has failed in it's responsibility to manage the area for the interest of it's residents. It further appears the presiding entity is looking to delegate responsibilities and services without delegation of appropriate resourcing.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X556	As previously said, there are factors in this survey that have just not been included which are VERY important. I can't mention it as my contribution will not be counted apparently! That is not good enough. Too many unanswered questions for me to be in favour.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X557	as previously stated I do not feel that adding another layer of bureaucracy will benefit the people of Poole and will not restore our individuality.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X558	as stated previous this a duplication of the roll OF BCP at a lower level with no teeth you have existing councillors covering the area is it to much for them and they need help .I am completely against this ill thought idea another costly exercise people have better things to do	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X559	Based on previous experience I doubt that the results of the survey will be acted upon unless they agree with what the wishes of the Lib Dem Council	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X560	BCP actions have angered residents by ignoring consultation before. Our town looks unloved, derelict and drab. I've lived here all my life and it's sad to see the decline. Poole should be a shining jewel of the South Coast not a grey rock. With all the affluent areas surrounding it, imagine you're a visitor. What do we offer them. Step it up BCP.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X561	BCP councillors should not be able to hold town/parish councillor positions	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X562	BCP is huge so it's good for people to be involved in their local area	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X563	BCP voted for one council. Have they realised they can't do the job? How much is this consultation costing council tax payers?	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X564	BCP was a terrible idea when the three areas are very distinct in their own offerings and characteristics. It would be better for each to concentrate and govern their own individual area.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X565	BCP was elected to govern and control these areas. Please do not add another layer of bureaucracy , it's just empire building	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X566	BCP waste so much money on fantasy projects, consultations and follies instead of concentrating on the important and much needed services that it is now in a situation of looking for a way to palm off it's responsibilities and the subsequent costs. Costs which are already paid for each year by our capped Council Tax bill.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X567	Be fair and listen to the people of Poole. I've lived here for 72 years and boy have we changed. Greed and bad decisions everywhere.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X568	Be interesting to see if the public view has any weight in regards to the outcome	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2

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X569	Be open and honest, act with integrity Employ finance people who know how to spend money wisely and not waste it on things like electric dust carts that keep breaking down, or stupid travel schemes that no one wants.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH14 0
X570	Believe an additional level of 'government' will add costs	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X571	Bring back a sense of pride for our town.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X572	Complete waste of money	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
X573	Complete waste of money	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X574	Complete waste of tax payers money and not wanted.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X575	Cost and energy should be directed to partnerships between BCP and neighbouring councils. Drop whilst in the early stages, considering lack of future proofing and enthusiasm from next generation	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X576	Creates general confusion as to who is responsible for all services. Does not help community cohesion. Improve your own performance before creating additional beaurocracy.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X577	Despite the negativity about the potential financial impact that reverting to Town Council's may have, it will be demonstrated that putting the future of each town back in the hands of individuals who care about their town will be worth the financial input. It will need careful management and transparency to ensure that the electorate understand the costs, which are minor in comparison to a Unitary Authority.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3

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X578	Disagree with the whole concept for the following reasons: a) Disagree with an extra tier of Local Government having had reorgansiations in 1997 and 2019. b) Extra tiers of Authority results in additional bureaucracy, duplication and cost. c) This leads to residents effectively paying twice for the same services d) Changes should involve a whole authority referendum not rely on Councillor decisions e) The total cost of local government can be expected to be higher in authorities with the additional tier of Town/Parish Councils f) Having sought to delayer local authority provision in 1997 and 2019 within BCP localities, for economy and efficiency reasons, the logical approach is to delayer not create additional layers of local authority. g) Believe the proposals will slow up democracy and create avoidable duplication at an avoidable unnecessary extra cost. h) I understand why my local Councillor Judes Butt comment and assessment, "Why reintroduce these extra Councils with all the rules, regulations, and extra costs again with no referendum? She appears more focussed on avoiding unnecessary costs and an additional tier of bureaucracy than seems to be the case of those elected members who are putting forward and supporting these proposals. Additionally, pursuing this change at a time of BCP Head of Paid Service (Chief Executive) change is not appropriate or desirable in my view.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X579	Do audit and governace committee understand that this will break all services and the trust between resdients and Council since been bcp nothing gets done in Poole and I'm not having a Town Council impose can't afford more tax and red tape	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X580	Do not agree	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X581	Do not agree with devolved power	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X582	Do not proceed!	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X583	Don't bother	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X584	Don't do it.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X585	Don't do it sort out BCP and stop wasting our money!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X586	Don't do it, it will end in tears, you are all corrupt and incompetent, you are all like little hitlers with your little areas, you are petty and make me sick.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X587	Don't waste our time and money	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9

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X588	Drop it. Concentrate on sorting out the council you already have. Cut out the deadwood and make it more efficient. Sell off unused buildings, land etc. Anyone who's job title you have to explain or justify what they do, send them packing. BCP, stop wasting OUR money.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X589	Electorate will be ignored, as usual.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X590	Far too complicated and designed to put people off from getting involved	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0

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	Firstly, why isn't Talbot Village shown as a specific area of BCP in the location drop down? Who lives on Talbot Heath when it's a SSI? Secondly, I have ticked through all the areas to get to my main point which is: We previously had individual councils (Poole, Bournemouth & Christchurch), before BCP and, they were perceived by and large as doing a reasonable job given the circumstances. BCP was then formed under the guise of integrating central services, cost savings and seeing a reduction in Councillors. After 6 painful years, the general consensus amongst residents is that this merger has been a backward step and many of the promises have not been delivered. Added to which there's been too much talking and expenditure on ideological projects and not enough attention paid to dealing with local services - for which actually we pay for! To now spend time and resources (which we can't afford) on adding additional layers of bureaucracy, councillors and different agendas is, to my mind, unnecessary and self-defeating. You will end up with more "talk shops", muddled thinking and additional cost. We are where we are, so please, let's just concentrate on the day job of making BCP work for all. Creating yet more councils which ultimately would feed through to BCP is a wasteful waste of time, effort and money - which the Council and resident tax payers cannot afford!	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X592	For an area the size of BCP, one layer of local governance (ie BCP Council) should be more than adequate and I wouldn't want any further layers of local bureaucracy and taxes.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X593	For such a radical review of how the area is managed a referendum should be held to give the population a genuine say	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X594	Forget about it!!!	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X595	FORGET IT!!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X596	From what I've seen no new services only a money grabbing machine.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X597	Give Poole back to Poole.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X598	Give Poole Town back the £10million you stole from us and repair our town centre	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X599	Going backwards!	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X600	Governance doesn't need to be reviewed, current council and spending does. We are sick of all the consultations and being ignored. You have regularly gone against your own rules and continue to punish and belittle residents. Our roads are some of the worst in the country, we have excessive new buildings instead of using and reusing what we have, destroying green land and eco systems while increasing emissions with poor road work management and lack of planning. I am ashamed to live in the area I grew up in and can't wait to move elsewhere.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X601	Great Idea and I look forward to the work the new bodies will do.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X602	Have been informed that it was a 'closed' council meeting. We need to reduce/resolve BCP debt!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X603	Hopefully BCP will not implement this money making scheme	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X604	Hopefully it will be rejected	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1

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X605	How do you intend on attracting this many councillors?	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X606	How much are these changes going to effect the tax payer? What benefits with these parishes get? What help from the government with these new parishes get or will it go to BCP? Why is this necessary?	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X607	How much has this consultation cost	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X608	I agree that local residents and others should have more close involvement in matters concerning them or their areas. However, I don't feel it is necessary to achieve this by creating parish and town councils - another arm of bureaucracy. It should be possible to create locally based forums - like community councils - comprising BCP councillors in groups of wards, with modest devolved funding and powers, using the existing BCP structure and staff. I have experience of serving as a member of another authority where this system worked very well. Meetings were always well attended because people felt their views were being heard and acted upon and that they were being offered the opportunity of making certain decisions, like expenditure on specific environmental projects. Instead of levying a precept, BCP could control and include the costs as part of the council's main budget. A limited number of existing staff could be designated as community councils officers to administer the system as part of their normal responsibilities. There could be a Poole Community Council and a Bournemouth Community council, or if necessary more than one in each, so that people would not need to travel too far to attend meetings.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X609	I agree with the proposal	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X610	I am a simple man not on expense accounts so I can not even guess at the weights on for why those who make the eventual vote will actually make a decision. I would prefer that politicians listen to 'The People' rather than what they might loose by voting honestly.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X611	I am against a town council. The review should be rejected. This is BCP getting out of providing the services that it should provide. No to a town council anywhere	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X612	I am against adding more layers of expensive bureaucracy to BCP. BCP is short of money, so why do this when the money could be better spent on more essential services. Also, why are only certain areas being offered parish councils and not others.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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X613	I am disgusted with the lack of communication and the lack of clarity in terms of what is being proposed. You seem to assume a level of knowledge amongst the electorate which definitely isn't there. You have made a proposal based on your intricate knowledge of the situation without taking into account that the electorate are not in any way aware of either the existing or the new proposals. This leads me to think that you are trying to confuse and bamboozle. I am very unhappy with this whole approach. I have a first class honours degree, I am a qualified chartered accountant and I am struggling to understand your proposals. I do not believe this is a lack of intelligence on my part – I think it is a lack of communication on yours.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X614	I am involved in many aspects of the local community and have lived in Lilliput for 25 years and the area for 40 years. I have seen the apathy of people volunteering for social work ie Scouts, volunteer groups in our churches, will we get the balance we need ? I don't think so !	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
X615	I am not prepared to pay any more conciliatory tax dorset is the third highest in the country already so much money is wasted on over inflated salaries and I can't afford to pay anymore than I already do	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X616	I am shocked you are even considering this when you cannot manage budgets and stop wasting money as BCP	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X617	I am so angry time and money is being spent on this. BCP was created to save money! Now typical of a public body you are starting something else which eill cost thousands. Get on with what needs to be done in our poor run down BCP area	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X618	I am somewhat, like many residents entirely bemused at what seems to be a further tier of governance. Having lived here all my life and are now of pension age. The bemusement comes from the fact that several years ago there were efforts, for want of a better word to combine the councils into one big conurbation. This presumably was partially, but not wholly successful and there seemed to be a certain reluctance on behalf of the Christchurch Council which is why I assume there are still parish councils within their boundaries? Therefore, it must be said by me and I do believe that many other people feel the same and the questions has to be "Why did we go through the process of joining, and being BCP, in the first place" and now " why are we effectively going back and now thinking about Parish councils"? Is this not a retrograde step? The money that must have been "lost", in the efforts being a united BCP council in the first place must have been no small amount to the local residents. I assume, too that the councils must have been hoping to achieve city status to extract more money via the UK central government, and that too, as we know did not happen. I can only hope for better in the future and that this isn't yet more local government departments being created and yet another tier of bureaucracy to add to local residents frustrations. I think that I feel many residents would just like the basics done such as toilets (goodness knows what holidaymakers feel when they use some of them) kept clean. Potholes repaired, lines put on the roads, yellow and white, where that applies. Roadworks done in a timely manner. It is very frustrating seeing holes being dug and the next day there is no one there! Its all very well to do vanity projects and feel that what you are doing makes YOU feel as	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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	though you are doing not only something useful but also helping the environment. If the local people feel that you are just wasting money and not doing the basics then what has happened nationally in the polls recently may well come knocking at local councils. These Parish councils should not be required! I for one are against the need for them.			
X619	I am sure majority of Poole residents unaware of this consultation. Details of submissions received by the task group supporting the establishment of new Poole town council unknown to us.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
	I am too far away from Poole town to feel that it best describes my location. In this document it is Poole town but that is not what I feel.			
X620	This should NOT be seen as a way to gather MORE money from RESIDENTS. BCP should use the money that they do have more wisely in actions that deliver VALUE to the communities, not waste it on fanciful ideas. The 20 MPH limit has generated NO GAIN to any residents only wasted millions of our taxes. I don't see the point of questions 11 to the end UNLESS they can reduce my taxes	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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X621	I and all of the residents I have spoken to believe this consultation and recommendations are a total waste of time and will create another level of useless chat costing us more expense for less rewards PLEASE just clean up BCP area and make it somewhere we are proud of once again. We don't need more parish councils !	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X622	I believe that adding another level of bureaucracy will only result in slower actions and more delays. Things will be done with less efficiency. There will be more messaging and buck passing. BCP should instead concentrate on becoming more efficient and reducing levels of bureaucracy to provide a better level of service.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X623	I believe that it would be a good idea for broadstone to have a local council. It would make jobs more efficient.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X624	I believe that this is a wasteful use of tax payers money. It adds another unnecessary layer of Government. They will simply be used by different people to argue between Town Councils and BCP council. The boundaries don't even follow thee current boundaries. You will end up with councillors representing one area and Parish Councillor's representing another area. Please do not go ahead with this proposal.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X625	I believe the introduction of so many layers of governance will confuse the electorate as to who does what for who, will slow progress, will eradicate all the good work BCP has achieved to date.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X626	I believe this will lead to another unwanted or needed level of governance.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X627	I can see no reason to continue with or create new layers of bureaucracy	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X628	I cannot see how creating this layer will help local residents, especially as BCP Council will overall remain in charge. Councillors should be working hard to make BCP Council work smoothly rather than rolling back to old ways that are long gone now.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
X629	I consider the Task and Finish Group to be at fault for not including options for integrated councils for Poole and Bournemouth which incorporated the parishes of Broadstone, and Redhill & Norhtbourne respectively. So whilst the public is consulted at this point, it seems that it was not consulted at that stage, thus rendering 'democracy' somewhat limited.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X630	I did not grow up in Poole but after living here for 53 years I am rather fond of the place. This review is an opportunity to help improve the identity of the town I live in without loosing any of the benefits brought on by the forming of BCP.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8

Q62 – Is there anything else that you would like to say about the Community Governance Review? – All Areas

Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X631	I disagree with the continuation of current parish, community and town councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish, community or town councils in BCP. All services and democratic processes should be done through BCP Council and no Council tax precepts should be put in place.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 4
X632	I do not agree that we should have any town/parish councils. If BCP it too large, revert to 3 separate councils agin. I also object to the amount of money that has no doubt been spent on conducting this review in the first place. I also not that you have failed to check that your survey appears correctly on all platforms. I use Safari on a Mac book pro and can only see 5 of the 6 answers on most pages and only 4, meaning that I cannot strongly object on 2 pages.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X633	I do not agree with an extra bill on top of the council tax we have had no consultation or letters regading this matter. The cost of living is high enough.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X634	I do not agree with the idea of parish/town councils. It is unnecessary and expensive, particularly after having been forced into BCP, supposedly in part for economic reasons. BCP just need to do their job and deliver services.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9

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X635	I do not feel that adding Parish and/or Town councils would have a net positive effect, either financially, or with regard to democratic engagement. I feel that the low level of engagement that many people have, would lead to "voter fatigue" having a negative impact on the number of people engaging with the democratic process, should they have another thing to vote for. For reference, see the low turn out for Police and Crime Commissioners. I also feel, that with the particularly low opinion that many people seem to have for the work of BCP Council(and the confusion between the work of the councillors vs the council staff), that it would be seen as a way to avoid blame for things going wrong locally, rather than being of benefit.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1

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Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X636	I do not see the point of having even more bureaucracy and councillors than we already have. These proposals will, as already admitted, incur more costs which the local tax payers will have to pay for, no foreseeable (zero) benefit. Please just get on with your jobs instead of causing more confusion.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X637	I do not think that we need another layer of local Government. What we have now is ineffective and does not listen to the electorate. All of this will mean more cost for nothing.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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X638	I do not understand and so see the reason for forming another layer of local government. Poole Council was abolished/merged with Bournemouth and Christchurch and this was meant to yield cost benefits... „where are they? There is no explanation which I can see for this: '4.3 For avoidance of doubt, it is not possible to abolish the Charter Trustees and to have BCP Council as a single-tier of local authority only'.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X639	I do not want a town council We elect local councillors to represent us another layer of bureaucracy is not warranted or required	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X640	I do not want it imposed by BCP Council if there is a majority against town and parish councils by the residents	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
X641	I do not wish to pay for additional layer of local governance, the current organisation needs to do its job efficiently and use the people that it has and that I already pay for.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X642	I don not think another Parish council is necessary .	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X643	I don't agree to this	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X644	I don't really see the whole point of this	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X645	I don't see why we need another level of bureaucracy, when we have two good ward councillors who we can contact, to represent us at the town council meetings. This 'reorganisation' will make it more complicated to find out who to contact and who is responsible and who to direct our comments or complaints. It will result in a lot of 'passing the buck' and 'it's not my job.'	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X646	I don't think the first part of the consultation was publicised enough, which is why we have a situation where the proposals don't fit with everyone's ideas of what is best for the area and for the Poole area only the option of Poole Town Council or nothing.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X647	I don't think we need another council, I thought merging the current councils was good enough	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X648	I expect the results to be published, publicised in local media outlets, reviewed and taken into consideration prior to any councillors voting on the proposals. The vote of councillors should only make up a small percentile of the overall vote, the review should steer this too. BCP should be ashamed if they go ahead with this without a full referendum.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X649	I feel that the review is just an exercise and that you've already decided what's going to happen	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X650	I feel that this exercise will cost residents more money for no extra gain.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X651	I feel this is a money grab by a desperate council. You are unable to increase council tax by more than 5% per year and this is your plan to increase taxation by the back door. You are unwilling (you say unable but I don't believe you) to give any indication as to how much this will cost the council tax payers. You are also unwilling to say what services and responsibilities you are planning to transfer to town/parish councils. Yet you expect us to be able to make a decision on these proposals. The council tax payers of the BCP council area cannot make an INFORMED DECISION as you have not seen fit to inform us of anything beyond: 1. We want to make town and parish councils 2. They won't be in the slightest way equal 3. We don't know what they'll do 4. We don't know how much they'll cost 5. We think it's a great idea and you should trust and believe us!!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
	I went to a public meeting about these proposals held in Creekmoor last week. When asked how much this was likely to cost Paul Slade said he would anticipate around £40 per year (or 11p per day as he broke it down). I know someone who in 2018 bought a flat in Drake Court near the quay in Poole. At the time the council was planning to carry out extensive refurbishment works on the block commencing 2019/20. Their solicitor requested information from the council as to how much these works were expected to cost per flat as that would obviously have an effect on their purchase. They were told £25,000-£30,000 per leasehold flat. When the works commenced the leaseholders were advised the bill will be upward of £58,000 per flat. I am aware that the charge for Blandford Town Council this year is £253.83 for a Band C property. Quite frankly I have absolutely zero faith in Paul Slade's estimate of £40 per year. He is either naïve, delusional or just simply a liar. Whichever it is, it is not a good look for a councillor and the husband of an MP.			
X652	I feel this is unnecessary and a waste of money.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X653	I have a learning difficulty but I feel it is important that our views are heard as well	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X654	I have chosen 'somewhat agree,' rather than 'strongly agree,' to many of the questions because I have never lived in a place with a parish/town council.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X655	I hope it is acted on by the council more democratically than the decision to close the Whitecliff entrance to Poole Park!	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3

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X656	I hope that a public vote will happen before any changes that will have a direct impact us.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X657	I hope that the proposals succeed.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X658	I hope that the views of the electorate are taken seriously and not ignored like previous consultations.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X659	I hope that with this survey you will actually take on board that this isn't what the residents want.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X660	I hope they listen to local residents and don't override our wishes, as is so often the case!	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X661	I like the idea that Poole should have a 'parish council' to help improve and manage better facilities for everyone. Areas with open spaces, cleaned and better signages and improved lighting, added seating in the bus station	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X662	I live in Talbot Village and the proposed boundary for the Town Council would divide my ward of Talbot and Branksome. There is no evidence there is a demand by residents for a Town Council that would add another layer of bureaucracy. I understood the idea of combining BCP was to take out multiple layers to save money and be more efficient. It creates financial uncertainty. I cannot support something that has no costing and therefore unable to make an informed decision. An uncapped precept could lead to year on year additional costs and consequently we do not know the financial consequences in the long term. Residents should be able to have their say through the ballot box and any decision should therefore be left until the local election in 2027. The decision should be decided by residents and not by councillors. This was not included in any manifesto - we did not vote for this.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X663	I lived for over 10 years in Hampshire and there aren't so many third world county's roads like in Dorset . This isn't acceptable considering the council's tax bill we all pay and the wealth generated by its beauty	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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X664	I only agree with this if we get back the service levels of previous and people are actually listened to. There are clear times when BCP council has their own agenda and that is true across the different political parties I understand there will be cost involved and would expect to see local results. I would not expect to pay extra by others being excluded. If this goes ahead everyone pays their share perhaps before the main council contributions	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X665	I oppose any form of devolution in any area and any extra charges on Council Tax that may occur as a result.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X666	I oppose it. Another layer of bureaucracy and more division.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X667	I really think we need to get our finances in a better shape before we do anything we might regret at a later date	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X668	I say be cautious about what you propose, as Town Councils often provide little more than token gestures towards hyper-local democracy. Instead, let us focus efforts on making the current system work better. BCP is well represented by ward councillors, who are tasked with prioritising the needs of their specific ward while considering the broader priorities of BCP as a whole. They are compensated for their work, and if you feel they are not delivering value for money or the outcomes you desire, you have the power to vote them out. In the meantime, communicate your concerns to them or attend their surgeries to express your dissatisfaction. Introducing another layer of administration, like Town Councils, may sound appealing but would likely dilute decision-making. Town Councils are often limited in their scope, only addressing minor issues that the parent council (BCP, in this case) does not automatically handle or sees as opportunities to offload. Consequently, both the responsibility and any blame for unmet goals fall on the Town Council. Town Councils do not generate their own funding but draw from and reduce the larger pool of resources. In many cases, up to 70% of allocated funds can be spent on administration and clerks, leaving minimal resources for actual projects.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9

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Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X669	I sincerely hope that this reviewed will be handled honestly. My faith in local councils was destroyed by the closing of Poole park to drive through motorists against the results of a survey of local people. This was not democracy and I believe the results of surveys should adhered to.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X670	I strongly disagree	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X671	I strongly disagree with any changes that add more layers and levels of administration and councillors.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X672	I strongly disagree with creating parish councils.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X673	I strongly disagree with the creation of parish councils	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X674	I strongly disagree with this whole procedure and think it such a waste of money	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X675	I strongly object to the proposals. In NO way will this benefit tax payers.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X676	I suggest it is scrapped to avoid any unnecessary expense and charge to the council tax payers	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X677	I support the general idea, but as with all consultations of the last three years, it is rushed, without the detail, i appreciate nobody knows what the costs are going t be in a years time, but this town council should co-inside with Councillor elections	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X678	I suspect if the final outcome of this review is that the majority of people are against it, then the majority view will be ignored as has happened it the past.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X679	I think decisions on anything need to take into account firstly the cost and keeping that to a minimum and secondly how effective they will be. We don't need more talking shops but need to support work in schools, hospitals, community facilities like parks etc and not waste money on people sitting in meetings.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X680	I think it is right that all the town and parish councils have similar, limited powers, beneath BCP. My main reason for supporting this measure is that I hate lopsided democracy like UK devolution as it creates unfairness.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X681	I think it needs to be addressed how much this is likely to impact the council tax of residents, which hasn't been stated on the flyers at all, before asking for support for this initiative. I do not agree that due diligence has been done on this and don't agree it should be going ahead.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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Row	comment	respondent proposal area	respondent ward	respondent postcode
X682	I think it will make our council tax higher for a poor service. As a pensioner I am concerned of the cast to us council tax payers	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X683	I think that the attempt to introduce additional levels within the BCP area is appalling. Where will these additional councils be housed and at what cost? We should be streamlining BCP and aim for it to function more efficiently. While many BCP officers and officials do work hard for the residents there are swathes of council workers who are not working effectively nor efficiently and these really need to be held to account by the current administration.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X684	I think that the creation of parishes will result in more bureaucracy, less engagement and a lot more cost in running these smaller areas. I think it is a bad idea	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X685	I think the Poole town council should be split into east and west Poole as issues are very different between the two areas	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X686	I think there are issues with Royal Mail Door-to-Door, and a non-insignificant number of residents may not have received their letter about the consultations.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X687	I think this is totally not needed. I would like more information on all the consequences if this review is passed	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X688	I think this whole proposal is unnecessary and will be expensive to roll out. All of which, of course, the residents of BCP will bear the brunt of the costs involved. The creation of BCP should never have happened in the first place, but this is where we are and my view is that the three areas should be left as they are, i.e. BCP Council.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X689	I thought the whole purpose of BCP formation was to save council tax payers money. Therefore what is the point of these individual parish councils - more bureaucracy and expense ? Get rid of the lot and have everything controlled by BCP	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X690	I understand you were pledged to set up the Review but I think there is no overwhelming support for the town/parish council proposal. It should be drawn to a swift closure before the monetary total for the exercise spirals further as time goes on.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 0
X691	i very much like the idea of having a Town Council for Poole but the number of councillors needs reducing.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X692	I worry that in the rush to achieve more democracy we end up with less. Adding an additional layer will mean confusion about who delivers what. Also as with many recent BCP consultations, the heaviest users of council services are often excluded through their lack of access to the Internet or the complexity of the questionnaire. This one is particularly word/data heavy.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7

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X693	I would like BCP to get on with running the council that is currently in existence, trying to improve its services so that they are at least fit for purpose, which in my experience of using services is not currently the case.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X694	I would like to see a town council - but without a BCP council - IE as it was years ago. Not as an addition to BCP council.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X695	I would like to see a town council in place, to provide more facilities for residents - eg a play area at the park near Livingstone Road, and a baseball hoop. Things like this are sorely lacking for local young people, and we are very much under-serviced at the moment by the current set up.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X696	I would like to see the BCP council abolished and separate councils for Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch re-instated.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X697	I would like to think that for once the people are listened to, but going by the track record I'm doubtful.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 2
X698	I would love to be involved in the process but in a non partisan way. Also, there was a video that was shown on national television about a parish council meeting in which the councillors behaved atrociously. There should definitely be some checks that secretaries are supported and councillors monitored. I accept that councillors give up their time and are quite often passionate but these are not excuses to behave badly.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X699	I would say that something of this magnitude which materially affects residents should be decided by a vote not a consultation where it could be that a decision has already been decided & the consultation is just really a tickbox exercise for residents.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X700	I'm not happy about the possibility of an additional council tax charge. Information about what this charge might be and what it might provide seems unclear so it seems ridiculous that opinions are being requested considering that a decision can't be made without full details or implications of what that might entail. Times are hard enough as it is in this financial climate and additional charges on what will be an increasing council tax year on year is unreasonable.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X701	I'm not in favor of these proposals as I feel our area is well served by a local community group which is well run and costs much less	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X702	I'm thankful it has happened and hope the opportunity isn't lost. Don't waste any more money than necessary in continual discussions and voting, get it done please.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X703	I've said it already.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X704	If it wasn't for our local councillor I would have no idea that this idea had been mooted. I'm sure there must be other residents in Poole who are also unaware of this proposal	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X705	If the proposals go ahead, even against public views. I would like reassurance that it will not cost more to the tax payer than the current set up, and that the wards/parishes cannot increase the council tax buy an infinite amount year on year. There needs to be a regulation written into the guidelines giving clear instruction on the maximum amount the Tax can be raised each year. And this should certainly not be more than the current cap on Council Tax or inflation (whichever is lower).	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X706	I'm pleased that residents are being consulted on the proposals for all areas, but particularly for Poole. Since the merger of Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth councils to form BCP, Poole is in danger of losing its identity. Poole has a long and interesting history dating back to the Longspee Charter of 1248. It has been a vibrant working town over the years with a strong maritime heritage. I am keen to see that the recognition and value of Poole's identity continue. The best way of doing this would be to have a council for Poole Town.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X707	I'm pleased that residents are being given the chance to have a say about new town/parish councils because I believe that the identity of Poole in particular is being swallowed up by the giant BCP Council in Bournemouth. It was stated that this would not happen when BCP was	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2

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	formed, but has inevitably proved to be the case. Perhaps if new town/parish councils are approved, the situation will be improved. NB. I AM NOT HAPPY about Poole's Civic Centre building being up for sale!!			
X708	Impressed with having a Parish Council, increase green spaces, good street lighting for safer evening walks, increase toilet facilities and make seating areas accessible for all	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X709	In my opinion this consultation is a waste of money and although there may be benefits to have a parish council for small villages/areas this does not apply to Poole that is such a large conurbation with a large I am a member of a large local women's group and have yet to speak to any that think the plan is a good idea that will benefit our area.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X710	In the good old days when common sense prevailed there existed a Poole town council which for the most part worked well and have provided a value for money service. However the creation of BCP has ruined that, so why on earth should you think creating another level of bureaucracy that will inevitably cost us residents even more for even less is a good idea.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X711	Is it just extra "jobs for the boys" ? Where we have another lot of people who have very little interest in improving this area but are more than happy to take the money. Our present BCP Council make no secret of the fact that Poole is considered a very poor third in any council improvements	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X712	Is it really necessary?	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X713	Is there a link to BCP Council	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X714	Is this governance review actually going to reflect the people's choice not to have Parish councils if that is the majority. Or is this a waste of time and the decision has already been made and this is just form filling?	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X715	It appears many people are either unaware or confused about the purpose of town councils v unitary authorities, especially when it comes to the cost of these to residents. Hopefully there will be more information shortly to address this. I also worry about the very disadvantaged in the Poole area being able to afford even the average precept for a town council, despite the many benefits they may reap from its existence.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
X716	It appears that this proposal is not costed or funded and therefore should not be put to the people for consideration.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X717	It appears to be an exercise to create more politicians and bureaucracy.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X718	It biased in favour of a closed council meeting... will not benefit any individual other the councillor there is now central government requirement for this pure incompetent local government trying to save a single stud	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X719	It could be a good step in returning to the previous situation before the disastrous BCP merger.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X720	It feels like a lot of noise around so many areas of the BCP region to push through the Poole & Bournemouth 'parish council' concept; hope it is a good thing, we'll see.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X721	It is a flawed consultation and breaches the law in so far as meeting the legally required Gunner principles especially number 2.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X722	It is a total waste of taxpayer money	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X723	It is a waste of resources	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X724	It is an appalling attack on the residents. How much more do we have to take, so many of us are at breaking point already. And don't suggest a payment plan of similar, we don't have money to pay for your wasteful elaborate schemes which have absolutely no benefit to anyone.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X725	It is an attempt at a stealth tax to cover the inadequate running of BCP	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X726	It is an unnecessary review, pushed by politicians to raise further taxation.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X727	It is essential to communities to have individual representation and identity	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X728	It is evident from social media on various platforms that there is considerable concern about the current BCP Council moves to establish town and parish councils. However, many people do not engage with social media and many people are still unaware of these proposals. If there is to be a wholesale re-organisation then there should be full disclosure to all residents via a referendum. Disclosure must include full details of services to be provided by new parish and town councils if they are established and the associated costs in terms of budgets for these services, staffing to enable these services and salaries for councillors.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
X729	It is important for those of us who are from here, that the town retain its identity.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X730	It is my view that either the area should be broken down into it's smaller parishes or it should be split into the three constituent towns - I don't understand why some areas get a smaller council than others.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X731	It is not a great idea, dilutes accountability	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X732	It is wasting money having these reviews and consultations. BCP councillors do what they want to and ignore their constituents values and opinions.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4

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X733	It is yet another consultation that is costing us, as council tax payers, a lot of money. I would bet that if it doesn't go the way you want it you will just do as you please and wheel out the excuse that this wasn't a 'vote'. Democracy seems well and truly dead in this area. We as local residents are so disappointed in how you have managed our beautiful area.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X734	It seems to be a way of only obtaining more funding. the splitting up is not fully effective as BCP will still have the final say. the consultation is a waste of time, money and should never have been mooted. BCP needs disbanding - it doesn't work. there have been far too many cuts, wasteful spending of funds, and too many vanity (nett zero) projects.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X735	It should have been much more widely publicised. More local meeting should have been held. The Leader should have been more open and responded with transparency to all queries raised. The implications of CGR should have been clearly explained at the outset and the implications of *not* responding to Stage 1 that has resulted in the proposals for a bloated Poole Town Council should have been much more clearly explained.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X736	It should not happen another layer of bureaucracy will just add to costs and who pays the rate payer	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X737	It shouldn't be happening. Money should be spent on the important things. This is just another signal to the incompetence of BCP I will remove my local councillor from that as she is brilliant.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X738	It will be interesting to see what the majority of the residents of BCP say about these proposals or whether the decision has already been made .	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X739	It will give autonomy back to individual communities	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X740	It will undoubtedly cost time and money which would be better used getting on with the job people are paid to do or were elected to do, you have after all got a smaller workforce than when you started!	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X741	It would be a positive step to enable active voices for many communities, and investment in local community facilities which would otherwise have to go without.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X742	It would be useful if the parish town council also dealt with anti social behaviour.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X743	It's a very strong NO from me	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
X744	It's all happening too quickly. With a new CEO appointed, we need that person to settle in first and see what he can fix, or sees what needs fixing	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
X745	It's complete waste of money. BCP should already be doing this work.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X746	It's good to have a say on important issues, but this hasn't been well advertised and appears to be an intention to conduct unnecessary changes via stealth and is therefore shameful. Do better!	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X747	It's long overdue.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X748	It's a bad idea.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X749	It's a terrible idea	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X750	It's a waste of time and money and has no benefits for the people in that area	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X751	It's absolutely absurd, good working people are already stretched, we simply can NOT afford to pay more jobs worths	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X752	It's been great, top marks for those who organised it	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X753	It's got to be an expensive business	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X754	It's unnecessary BCP should already be doing this plus the cost to the resident has not been fixed	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X755	Jaded my opinion may be, but I suspect that any adverse conclusions coming from the public consultation will be ignored or overridden.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X756	Jobs for the boys and of course girls. There are enough ineffective snouts in the trough without adding more. Taxpayers cannot afford this vanity project.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X757	Just more layer(s) of bureaucracy adding unnecessary cost	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X758	Just read my previous comments	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X759	Just that I don't think the council should do it for the reasons I have stated	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X760	Keep it simple, to get the support needed from residents to create a great community	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X761	Keep local people informed at all stages. Provide drop ins for further consultation	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X762	Keep the council organisation as simple and streamlined as possible. Definitely do not add further layers of administration.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X763	Leave alone don't waste our money on pipe dreams your Duty is to cut cost to. All residents the BPC should never have happened go back to the original 3 councils cut staff and stop wash money in underused cycle paths for the few	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X764	Leave it as it is	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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X765	Let us complete the transformation agenda and get BCP working properly for the whole comurbation.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X766	Lets go back to the previous Borough and town councils! The BCP council won't listen to the people they are supposed to represent so this CGR rubbish is just a waste of tax payers money. However, the decision has probably already been made so this is probably a waste of time and money and just a formality the council have to show they have done! Another money grabbing scheme!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X767	Lets hope that these Local councils are set up to the benefit of the residents living within them. BCP Council has not and does not take into account residents views. Simple tasks like drain clearance, weed removal from pavements and roads, Keeping Parks e.g. Poole Park and other public parks and public spaces will be better looked after, puting pride back into Poole making it a better place to live.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X768	Listen to the people of BCP for once. We do not want additional costs because you aren't competent enough to do your jobs properly. If you can't do the job as it currently stands, resign and let somebody else do it infinitely better.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X769	Listen to the people of poole for obce	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X770	Long overdue	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X771	Massive waste of resources and money. Also double the bureaucracy!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X772	More information on boundaries and if they can be changed in the future? The cost to taxpayer and council tax of having a Parish Council? Admin costs and other costs that would be covered?	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
X773	More layers of governance is not obviously more democratic. It creates confusion about who is responsible for what and is likely to see low rates of turnout in elections.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
X774	Multi layered governance usually leads to confusion over who runs what and increases costs. As far as I'm aware BCP was formed to run the area more efficiently than three seperate councils and be more cost effective. If that is not the case rather than tinkering and causing more bureaucracy, my suggestion is that we go back to being three seperate councils. Which in effect it seems to me that you are doing by stealth with these plans to form seperate Parish Councils. Whilst also keeping your jobs in the higher tier of BCP.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
X775	My objection to this proposal might be withdrawn if proper budgetary information was provided, and/or pariishes were significantly reduced in size.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 2
X776	na	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X777	na	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X778	no	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X779	no	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X780	no	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 3
X781	no	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X782	no	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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X783	no	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X784	no	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X785	no	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X786	no	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X787	no	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X788	no	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X789	no	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X790	no	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X791	no	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X792	no	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X793	no	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X794	no	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X795	No changes should be decided upon until they are fully costed. Residents should be consulted on the option of merging Dorset and BCP councils with all the cost savings and efficiencies this could deliver as an alternative to the current proposals which will increase costs and inefficiencies.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X796	No costs of these proposals are admitted and its a way of increasing costs to residents and avoiding Goverment restrictions on council tax	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X797	no further comments	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X798	No governance review was needed and any monies used should have been put to better use in the BCP area.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X799	No point anyone independent standing for a cllr the party politics which frankly is a joke in the bcp area will ensure that anyone genuinely trying to do the best for their ward will be wasting their time and only become a target for the other cllrs bcp is a joke for that reason this layer will be the same	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X800	No stop creating even more expense for Poole residents	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X801	No thank you	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X802	NO to parish councils!	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X803	No, I am happy the council is considering a Town Council for Poole	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X804	No, see answer above.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X805	No.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X806	No.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X807	No.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X808	None	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X809	Nope. Good luck with the consultation, and I hope creation of a Poole Town Council goes ahead. Keep up the good work.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X810	Not at present	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X811	Not at this time	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X812	not enough details on the cost to set it up and on going cost, this needs to be put to the vote not just a survey and it can't be steamrolled through the council	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X813	Not enough people are aware of it, the full cost, roles and responsibilities of the new council are not understood, nor are and real benefits known, It all feels unnecessary.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X814	not for me.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X815	Not necessary waste of money that BCP don't have!!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X816	NOT PRINTABLE	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X817	Not really, you don't really care what our opinions are do you?	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X818	Nothing else to say but strongly disagree...., cost and lack of information. The tax payer, especially pensioners and low/ average income people has been squeezed so hard by government/ councils, cost of living. How are we supposed to cope with these increases without it effecting the health of your constituents, I always believed that you were supposed to work for us not against. Angry and very disappointed with BCP.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X819	Nothing more to add, except that you probably won't listen to the wishes of the electorate anyway. You never do.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X820	Nothing to be gained waste of council money	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X821	Object strongly to this, cannot see what value it will have to local people that cannot already be addressed by BCP council	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X822	Only that the council spend money wisely, not wasting funds on unnecessary projects	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X823	Only yo add that the proposal is likely to lead to considerable confusion over who is responsible for what and cause a greater workload for staff.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X824	Our area of Talbot Village isn't specifically mentioned. However I'm very strongly opposed to any further parish councils. They add an unnecessary layer of consultation for zero benefit. Apparently such extra parishes have extremely few actual responsibilities. BCP should consider being more efficient instead of adding extra layers, perhaps reverting to the old separate town councils. Its a BIG NO from me for parish councils.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X825	Outrageous use of our already stretched budgets. BCP was created to save money (costing a small fortune) now you want to re-introduce more councillors. Crazy waste of our money.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X826	Parish and Town Councils would be an unnecessary and unwelcome additional layer of local government bureaucracy and costs.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X827	People are struggling to pay high bills as it is another council tax is ridiculous	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X828	Please can you contact me with an update of the feedback on outcomes.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X829	Please concentrate on improving the existing council set up before creating yet another unnecessary layer .	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X830	Please defer this until the local elections in May 2027 as this appears to be a Lib Dem initiative that no one wants.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X831	Please do it!	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X832	Please do NOT allow this to go ahead. It will be a complete waste of taxpayer money.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X833	Please do not waste money on changing. Each change costs wadded money. 3 major changes from DCC to individual Councils to BCP have all achieved little. The town centres of Poole and Bournemouth are in disgraceful condition. It is no longer a pleasure to visit either	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X834	Please don't waste my money, it's not needed or required by the people, it's just another tax grab	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH14 0
X835	please don't do this	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X836	Please don't take us for fools. Let us know the costs involved, how much you expect us to pay, before asking these questions.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X837	Please drop these plans	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X838	Please listen to the reidents, this will cost more money we don't have all for councilors/ parish own ego for managing. You think know this will make things better and improve the current situation but it won't. Devolved councils do not work and result in higher costs.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X839	Please read above comments about effective work practices. ie getting stuff done , rather than rounds of meetings and 'policy reviews' etc.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X840	Please respect the publis veiw	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X841	Please scrap the idea of splitting BCP into what it used to be, and more, as I see no advantage to the people of Poole. I only see it as Bournemouths push to be of city status.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X842	Please stop. There is no need for change unless BCP is dissolved and their responsibilities devolved back to more local authorities.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X843	Poole Civic Centre needs to be the place of Power	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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X844	Poole has a long history based on its geographical location, harbour and resulting industry and commerce: Chalwyn Lamps (used world wide especially in Third World Countries - for its simple maintenance) British Seagull Engines (no longer) but again used world wide, much loved for its simple maintenance. Ryvita; Lava Lamps ; Sadler Yachts and now Sunseeker; Lush Cosmetics and as a Channel Port - Brittany Ferries / Condor and DFDS. Tourism; RNLI HQ; Sea foods exported; Barclays International ; Plessey; Siemens All these industries have brought wealth and employment to Poole - which Bournemouth has envied and hoped to benefit from as time has passed even the University was given the name of Bournemouth University although based in Poole! And it is now trying to reap some of the benefits of Poole's success through the BCP Authority. The review has been difficult to respond to and local folk will find it difficult to understand and reply to - but in its current form BCP is unwieldy and should never have been instigated. Well done Christchurch for trying hard to be subsumed by such a large authority.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X845	Poole needs to keep her identity as a historical Borough which has been destroyed by BCP	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X846	Poole needs to re- establish itself as a town in its own right. Poole was a thriving community and that needs to be developed for its residents in the future.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8

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X847	Poole Town does indeed need more localised governance but not with BCP in place. Change is needed but the proposals do nothing to give residents confidence that their views and wishes will be carried out while BCP continue to be the upper tier of governance. It is quite wrong to force through these proposals without telling residents what the financial impact will be. The average costs shown do not represent those that could be levied here.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X848	Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch were pushed into joining forces, which in my opinion was not a good move. Another change such as this one in my opinion is not wanted - if anything, it would be better to go back to how it was with 3 separate councils, when each area was taking care of the specific needs of each area.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X849	Poor consultation - the only way I became aware of this review was via a social media user, not the council itself.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X850	Poorly planned and can only see extra cost.to taxpayers and more benefits to councillors. Totally unnecessary.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X851	Poorly worded. Should have more options for consultation. Need outline costing. Need information on role of council and whether BCP council would help finance services run by a 'town council'	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X852	PQF consider that BCP has not set out adequate information about the consequences of setting up Parish/Town councils. In particular there is inadequate information on what services would be provided by the new Town Council and how much they would cost and the impact on council tax over the next 5 tears. There is inadequate information on the administrative costs of a new Town council over the next 5 years. There is inadequate information on the future of the services currently provided by BCP with or without parish/town councils and who would pay for them.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X853	Quite frankly this is a ridiculous proposal from BCP. Parish councils work well in rural communities not massive urban areas like the entire of Poole. If we need a Parish council then we should disband BCP and go back to individual councils, this should have happened anyway after Bournemouth was denied becoming a city. Poole is an individual town not a subsidiary of Bournemouth.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X854	Rather than wasting time on unnecessary consultations like this the current administration should focus on what really is wrong with how BCP Council operates. Too many highly paid senior management roles & not enough actual operatives doing the jobs.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X855	Re think it!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X856	Really is ridiculous to go partially backwards and spend more money. Poole has suffered under BCP and I just think it should be separated completely without having two layers of Councillors who are not really the best of the best and some can be so rude and aggressive (I found this out when volunteering for BoP).	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X857	Referendum now	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X858	Resident in Bournevalley & Branksome - I'm against the proposal for parish councils, already have a relatively new merged BCP council, which is supposed to be more efficient and cost worthy, no need for an additional tier of local government, without any clear outline proposal on how will be more efficient. Only creating another layer of unnecessary cost to local council tax payers, with no advantages, only more red tape and wasted hard earned funds.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X859	Review it and ditch it.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X860	Ridiculous idea	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X861	Roll on the revolution.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X862	Sabe Poole civic centre. We need it. If it's sold, we'll need to build another one.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X863	Scrap the proposal. Greater bureaucracy is the last thing we need.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X864	See earlier comment. By just having this review, it would suggest that BCP is not capable of fully representing the separate towns of Christchurch and Poole, and therefore they should be demerged into separate town councils once again. A huge waste of tax payers money.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X865	See my answer to Q15.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X866	Seems like a bit of a waste of money to be carrying this out now when the council is short of funds and could spend the money on , perhaps children's services	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X867	Simplify the Governance review. Far too much information which leads to BCP Council doing what it wants. Surley the question is--- DO YOU WANT A THIRD TIER OF BUREAUCRACY OR NOT-- YES OR NO.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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X868	Simply do not trust BCP. They are wasteful and focused on tribal politics rather than improving the area. Without question, the creation of BCP has been a failure. Poole and Christchurch are worse than they were served by their own councils. Any representations for autonomy for Poole would be welcome and appreciated	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X869	So disappointed in the Conservative Party for whipping this decision shockingly bad	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
X870	Spend money wisely as council tax payers pay for this	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X871	STOP	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X872	Stop it immediately. Stop wasting money. Stop wasting time. Stop continuing to operate in the manner you continue doing and actually start providing value for money.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X873	Stop it now	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X874	Stop It!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X875	Stop stop stop. for the love of God. stop playing with our hard earned wages. get on with the job you were elected to do. we don't need extra councillors. we don't want increased council tax fees.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 8
X876	Stop this as it will only cost more for nothing	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X877	Stop this pointless waste of our money. Show the true costs and how this will be if benefit to local areas. Your supposed to be by the people and for the people and all people on the street talk about is how things have got worse under BCP council since the merger in 2019 and now this is just another exercise of people in the council on a pointless exercise and wasting valuable time resources and money.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X878	Stop wasting money on unnecessary levels of local government. It seems that that we are permanently having change from originally a poor council to a pool unitary authority than the three towns council all in the name of saving money yet taxis go up and up. This is an unnecessary change. Make the existing arrangements work for us the residence not for you the counsellor and the council officers.. Stop reorganising and make what you have now work.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X879	Stop wasting our money, concentrate on the things you as the council should already be doing, emptying bins, fixing potholes etc. We don't want/need another layer of beaurocracy that will just waste more of our money.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X880	Stop wasting our money.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X881	stop wasting our monies on new local gov. Either we break away from BCP and become Poole Council again or make it work.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X882	Stop wasting Tax payers money on these stupid schemes. Focus on providing core services not trying to grow the reach and responsibility of the council and justify raising more taxes.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X883	Stop wasting tax payers money.split the three councils back up and Poole won't need to be a parish of Bournemouth it will be a council in its own right (like it used to be)	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X884	Stop wasting time and money	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X885	Stop wasting time and money on reviews designed to add layers of protection to current councillors and remove their accountability. BCP council was formed to provide better services and better financial planning to the 3 towns, it has done the exact opposite! Fix the system you have before trying to make the monster bigger	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X886	Stop wasting time and money on these matters.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X887	Stop with all this pen pushing money wasting and spend it on genuine need!	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X888	Streamline Governance, enable progress!	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 1
X889	strongly disagree with whole concept, extra cost and bureaucracy. Existing examples in Christchurch area do not inspire confidence	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X890	Subsequent questions seem to assume I agree with this strategy-I don't!	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2

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X891	Thank you for asking for local people's views. I'm not sure how many people will have heard about this consultation process - it will be important to find a variety of ways to engage.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X892	Thank you for the leaflet through my letter box. I appreciate being included in the process.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X893	Thanks for conducting it.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X894	That it is a shame and I feel strongly that we should have more guidance on how much this is all going to cost as residents before it is agreed.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
X895	That this is a underhand method of extracting further revenue from residents.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X896	The area near Melbury avenue has been abandoned. There's glass and rubbish all over the roads and paths. Walking around with the children is embarrassing	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X897	The BCP Council site where consultations are shown, does not have a link to this second round of consultation, despite it being open for more than one month now. I had to search for it via Google and come in via a press release. I believe this may be a breach of consultation rules?	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5

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X898	The boundaries of “Poole” council are clear – however the town will be disadvantaged and overwhelmed, if the whole of the town is 1x parish – when the town of Bournemouth is “represented” as 4x separate parishes. Resources for “Poole” (as well as Christchurch) will instead be routed (diverted/stolen) for projects elsewhere. The number of parishes need to be equivalent across the “Three Towns”, based on population, rate-payers, and geography –the cultural and historic value across the towns should be valued for this as well. The Parish boundaries need to be reviewed and corrected, for equal representation for everyone. Is there a fault on this form (and the survey)? In other parishes and wards the option to “Strongly Disagree” did not appear on the list – which will bend the results to a less-negative outcome – and an invalid result? Is this a flaw in the system – or is this intentional?	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X899	The changes to the leaves of governance in this area are very concerning. After attending the consultation many of the answers were vague or not thought through. The added level of governance had no clear role, no over sight and required additional elections amongst other things. In addition the cost of these changes after only recently jointing the 3 councils in this area is not acceptable to the residents. If no oversight is created, no accountability can truly put in place and elected officials will be able to charge what they want for no additional services. This is not fair and rather disgraceful that locals will be asked to foot a bill for a change that will have no impact in improving services in the area. Too many cooks come to mind. Stop and consider the people of this area!	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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X900	The Consultation questions are overwhelmingly skewed towards the creation of Town/Parish councils across the conurbation. I disagree with the whole premise of a new layer of government. Please force Central government to adopt responsibility for adult social care and the provision of SEND , and then let local councils (BCP and others) set and manage local spending priorities beyond the basics.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X901	The cost and administrative arrangements will not bring betterment to the community. BCP should conduct a full review of their current processes and procedures which will increase efficiency and no doubt result in savings	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X902	The costs of the changes is not clear and hidden in the text. I do not recall any mention of it in the video. It is almost like there is a deliberate effort to hide the fact that this will cost residents more for what seems an unnecessary change.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X903	The council does not have any money as it is, please stop wasting more money on things like this	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X904	The council leaders have a moral obligation to reject any proposal that creates an uncoded and avoidable liability for tax payers. They would be failing in their responsibilities to approve such an uncoded change.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 7
X905	The council meeting was held between a selected few. No changes could be made fairly because of this. Had this meeting been open, money creating this review would not have been wasted. Only fair way to resolve this mess created to regain trust from Councillors is to do a referendum, soon!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X906	The current 'consultation' is non-binding with the final decision being vested with the councillors, many of whom have already publicly supported the proposals. That support is neither independent or legitimate. It is clearly biased toward party political policy. Residents have been informed the 'consultation' is being reviewed internally without independent oversight and calls into question serious concerns about transparency. It seems clear the party with a majority has already decided Community Governance will be introduced whether it is supported by a majority of residents or not. That is undemocratic and begs the question why hold a 'consultation'?	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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X907	The current governance levels of a BCP Council and Charter trustees for Bournemouth and Poole is not perfect but it works. The CT ability to safeguard the historic charters and to promote civic and ceremonial traditions of the respective Mayoralty's does a good job - and for a very small precept. Creating Town councils is akin to taking a step into the unknown, it is unfair to say cost can't be regarded as a consideration as this is obviously going to be an important factor for most residents. It cannot be said there will be better services or stronger democracy while we don't know what. TC could deliver. Bournemouth and Poole TC's would be 2 of the largest in the country - town and parish councils are usually for more rural areas not conurbations. An extra 42 Councillors just for Poole is far too many, on top of the number we have in BCP. It will create confusion for residents who won't easily navigate through the layers - ie which Cllr to go to with an issue, Bmth Tc, Poole TC, BCP? And with another layer being imposed in a few years time with Strategic authorities it will become even more difficult. Poole and Bournemouth are both simply too big to have successful Town Councils, and the outcome of the consultation should be very carefully listened to and observed with respect for residents views, I have not had one resident in ward of 10k households who have contacted me say they are in favour.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X908	The entire scheme seems to be both a waste of money and a waste of time. There are far more important issues to be dealt with. Not least the fabric of Poole town itself. In addition we need to emphasise that Bournemouth is now a absolute disgrace. We don't go there unless it's essential. Friends tell us that at times they feel unsafe there.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8
X909	The existing council should get their act together and make it work and not waste money on bringing another layer in to the Community.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X910	The first I knew of this was a post on Facebook by Judy Butt who is concerned about all aspects of it particularly cost	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X911	The information document was long, but useful thank you. This form was easy enough to complete although I wasn't completely sure what every question (a to g) meant as I am totally against the proposal, in hindsight maybe I should have agreed to the proposed name of the council, but not the concept of having a town council. Good luck.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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X912	The number of respondents (73) of a total population of 400,000 for BCP indicates (a) The existence of the review has been extremely poorly advertised, especially considering the potential impact and costs on ALL residents (b) Total lack of interest from the residents who are generally tired with the whole process of governance in this area	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X913	The objective of this review should be to delayer, so removing Cllrs expenses and releasing that as cash to services and possible increase in salaries of the lower paid council employees. This should've set as a rule and applied across the entire BCP area.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X914	The process seems to have been hijacked by those who are negative about everything. I understand that BCP can't fund discretionary services, but that a parish/town council could. I think it is important for Poole that a Town Council serves this purpose.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X915	The residents should have the ability to vote on this and BCP should not have an open mandate to steamroller whatever they want through the system	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X916	the review asks more questions than there are answers in relation to costs to residence. how can we make fair and considered view.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X917	The structure of the [unknown] is not related to any model which I would have devised or supported since it is too bureaucratic.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X918	The video was a helpful resource to understand the issue	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X919	The way this survey is written suggests decisions on these changes have already been made and this tokenistic "consultation" is pointless. I see no reason or benefit to residents to setting up these additional layers of bureaucracy. I am strongly opposed and believe BCP council should remain as it is. This is a complete waste of time and money in my opinion.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3

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X920	The whole idea of creating a sub- bureaucracy is a nonsense the additional costs incurred on council tax payers when BCP was created to provide services previously. We want a greater proportion of the revenue collected annually to be spent on front line services and NOT administration. This is just an empress-building exercise which will not improve services.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X921	The whole idea of introducing Parish/Town Councils was brought in in a very underhand way, with little communication just before Christmas 2024, so most residents were unaware. Maybe that was the intention. As a result there were very few responses - how the Committee can suggest they were 'encouraged by the number of submissions' beggars belief. The recommendations were based on a very small percentage of residents' views.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X922	The whole thing is unnecessary and just designed to create jobs for the boys	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X923	There are sound reasons why the area should be parished, but a particular benefit would be the creation of a Poole Town Council. The Town has a long history, strong traditions, a strong identity, and was badly served by the creation of BCP Council without a Town Council option being offered.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X924	There are two petitions currently being circulated that I am aware of. I would also endorse Cllr. Judy Butt's request for the Leader of the Council to face public questioning (unvetted) on all aspects of this proposal. I understand she is still awaiting a response to this request.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X925	There has been a lot of misinformation spread on social media and I suspect this will lead to a lot of negative reactions to the proposals. Hopefully the decision makers will take this into account. Personally I am willing to pay a bit more to get councillors who are focussed on the non essential services, leaving BCP councillors more time and energy to focus on statutory services. Some BCP councillors might even be better suited to serving as town councillors as it could give them more scope to focus on interests close to their hearts	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X926	There is a strong feeling that this could be used as a means to raise more revenue through a town/parish precept as no details or even draft proposals of the potential responsibilities that will be taken on by this body have been provided. In reality as per Christchurch TC as an example, major decisions on planning and infrastructure investment still lie with BCP along with services relating to road sweeping and waste collection. Services that matter to residents where this additional layer of 'council' provides no value add.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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X927	There is absolutely no need for any more tiers of governance when the current councillors are not doing their job to the full. I emailed my local Hamworthy councillors as a group but two addresses are not valid so cannot be contacted and the one that was valid did not respond. I then had a look at attendance records and one Hamworthy councillor has an attendance of just 27% which led me to look at the neighbouring wards, Poole Town, Creekmoor and Oakdale where attendance also seems average for some, although I would say not all councillors. The proposed town and parish councils have very little power to change anything and the three councils of Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth sold the amalgamation of all three on the premise of efficiency and cost savings none of which has happened so why add any more levels to it.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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X928	There is no support from me on this as it stands: • I'd want to see a benefits assessment on what it delivers that can't already be delivered. • what it would cost, does the council tax payer get it reduced from bcp and added to local, thus no extra? • Is it an exact duplication? So the three bcp councillors i have, get 3 more for Poole town? Crazy idea.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH12 1
X929	There is not enough consultation on this. An online survey is not reaching all residents. Proper consultations should be done & paper copies available to fill in, especially for older residents to have their say. Not enough information in the projections- going forward we need more information	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X930	There is nothing clear about the benefits to locals. It just seems to be a way of increasing layers of administration and diluting the workload of existing councillors.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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X931	There is still a huge unawareness in the local community of the significance of this review. The only way I, and others, would feel confident with moving forward with the consultation would be if it were being conducted as a Referendum. The response from the submissions, forming the basis of the recommendations for a Poole Town Council are hardly an endorsement.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X932	There needs to be clear and easy access to all residents with a significant improvement in communication ahead of elections.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X933	There needs to be full commitment from BCP that the council will be listened to. I think the local councils should have a strong voice so they have more say on what goes on in their area such as police support, road conditions and anti social behaviour	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X934	There was far too little time and effort put into introducing the idea of Parish and Town councils, plus confusing and incomplete information (eg whether the precept would be banded). The subsequent flyer for consultation was also inadequate, not clarifying that the proposal would involve additional cost to residents. It therefore did not meet the second Gunning Principle.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X935	Thier is no need for parish councils.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X936	This appears to be an attempt to raise council tax bills which are likely to be used to raise additional funds for BCP rather than providing local services for areas that should be independent councils as previous to 2019. Why are ward councillors for BCP who are Charter Trustees not representing their wards instead of wanting to set up town councils to do their work for them.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X937	This appears to be an extra tier and duplication of local structures and control	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X938	This consultation highlights the complete lack of understanding of what the electorate within BCP requires from the BCP council; we do not require extra layers of councillors providing zero benefit to the BCP residents. At the end of the day, who will suffer if this is allowed to happen and services inevitably deteriorate ? The BCP residents. I suppose at least we can eventually vote out the councillors responsible for this debacle.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X939	This consultation is too complicated and time consuming for many residents to complete. The result may not therefore give a true representation of residents views.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X940	This council idea should not be used as a way of milling money from residents. BCP should use their money more wisely in less cycle lanes which are rarely used but cost millions. Also 20 MPH zones do not generate any gains for the residents but cost thousands of pounds.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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X941	This has been proposed by BCP council and foisted upon residents in a most undemocratic and subversive manner. Many elderly residents will not be able to comment as everything is being kept online. There are no details of initial and ongoing costs and very little regard has been paid to the Gunning principles regarding full disclosure and cost implications. This proposal should be dropped and any future proposal of such importance must be put to the electorate to cast proper vote on once full and exact details have been provided.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X942	This hasn't been publicised enough and if it wasn't for the great work of our local councillor then we wouldn't have a clue this review was going ahead.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X943	This hasn't been publicised enough	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X944	This idea is completely bonkers. It's hard enough to try and get Counsellor to listen to the people some of the counsellors our adamant on destroying the local area they are making it harder and harder for everybody to do their day-to-day business or even trying to run a company making the roads literally unusable and selling off all the car parks trying to destroy the local tourism industry i.e. cancelling the air festival doing nothing for the D-Day landings this personally is disgusting The reason Bournemouth and Poole have become a dump is because Council is following their own agendas instead of make a Bournemouth and Poole a great Holiday attraction for everybody to enjoy And will boost the local economy and bring back our shops Unfortunately, putting cycle lanes everywhere and closing car parks is not the right way to go as you can see from the weekend all the tourist came down to poole and Bournemouth, which is great to see and spending money Don't destroy poole in Bournemouth anymore with these silly decisions	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X945	This is a complete waste of public money. At a time when BCP is advertising a post at a salary greater than the PM you are now trying to promote another tier of governance with attendant costs.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X946	This is a half hearted review - either do it fully and properly or don't do it	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X947	This is a poor show!!! Do not do this, no body wants this!!!!!!	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X948	This is a ridiculous idea costing your residents more money when money is already tight by. We do not want this.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X949	This is a waste of time. People are struggling and you want to add more money to people's bills. We don't need this so don't do it	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X950	This is a waste pf money. We already have too much politics going on. It is ridiculous to add more.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X951	This is adding another level of unrequired bureacracy which will have to be funded by the public without any benefit. It will be all extra costs and no savings, If work transfers it should be met with reductions in staffing and budgets for BCP Council otherwise it will be seen as a sneaky way of raising addition income / Council Tax without any changes in efficiency.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9

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X952	This is an unnecessary extra level of bureaucracy added into local government. BCP council is there to run the BCP area that is what they should. Creating these extra governing bodies will do nothing to help the situation and believe will make thing worse. Residents will not know who to go to with problems and will end up being passed from one agency to another. More emphasis should be put on improving the existing services rather than creating another layer of management.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 5
X953	This is an unnecessary waste of taxpayers' money. £100,000 for a consultation which seems like a thinly veiled disguise at a democratic process.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X954	This is deliberately designed to stop most people responding to this proposal	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X955	This is going to create an unnecessary level of governance and cost the taxpayer more money at a time when the cost of living has rocketed! It really is going backwards from what the BCP Council merger has worked so hard to achieve.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X956	This is idea is one of the most stupidest ideas along with cycle lanes that aren't being used. We do need this and residents certainly do not need the added stress of paying out more.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X957	This is just paying lip service to consultation - you already decided you're doing this, it won't matter what the residents say	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH15 3
X958	This is not wanted and was not what I voted for. It is also currently un costed and just an attempt to raise more funds from people already struggling with the cost of living. This should never have been brought to the table in the current economic climate when so many are struggling and many are living in food poverty. All accept local councillors, aparantly, who presumably see this as an opportunity to increase their allowances.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X959	This is something that is not needed in BCP Council area	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X960	This is such a waste of time and money that could be better spent on issues that effct local people. The state of our roads, parks, etc.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X961	This is very unfair, asking to support the new town council without knowing any costs or what they would eve do, especially as councillors can pay themselves an allowance and the new precepts are uncapped	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X962	This isn't democracy.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X963	This just feels like an initiative to introduce yet another unwanted layer of waste, similar to our police commissioner who has no real mandate as insufficient people vote for that office. Put the money into delivering services rather than into additional elections and associated, unwanted councillors.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X964	This needs a lot more than an online consultation of a couple of questions. It needs public meetings and Q&A.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X965	This not required, the only reason this is being suggested now is so the LibDems have a foot hold as they will not be voted in at the next election.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X966	This proposal adds more complexity and thereby reduces the accountability of those in local government. Additionally it will increase costs with no benefits i can see.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X967	This proposal would require further elections and unknown increases - without restriction - in respect of council tax which is already at a very high level.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8

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X968	This seems like a decision had been made at the cost of the residents. Please, please, please, stay working out how to better use the money you have to bring translate benefits to the residents, because it's been a long time since I've seen any intrusive that had done so. I hope upon hope this is taken seriously although I fear the decision has already been made and those within BCP with be having another single malt to celebrate a good job done without any real quantifiable measures prior to their decision. If they have any it is brought in after the point to support their viewpoint. It's about time you started serving the residents towards a strong town, one that people can be proud of again instead of embarrassed.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X969	This should be provided in paper form to ALL households.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8

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X970	This survey is a waste of time and money. Parish councils work well for rural communities but having ones in BCP suburbs would mean overlapping with BCP councillors responsibilities and increasing Council Tax.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X971	This survey is not very inclusive. The way the information is presented makes it difficult for lay people to understand.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X972	This was never mentioned whatsoever during the plans for the merger, why would anybody vote for this when it is going to cost residents more money. We don't need anymore councillors or any increased costs, you seem to think you can vote on it and we will all fall into place, this reeks of jobs for the boys !!!!! My suggestion is simple, if you want this to go through have a full election throughout BCP , send the voting form to every resident by post so they have a hard copy to read and digest, outlining the cost and reasoning behind the decisions. You work for us not the other way around, do the job you are paid to do.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X973	This was not publicised enough to the general public and it is such an important concept that there should have been doorstepping and mailshots and social media to explain the process and what it means for residents. I have only found out about this from my local Councillor. This has not been a meaningful consultation process.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X974	This who exercise is a complete waste of time & money. If the council spent less time trying to come up with money making schemes & just got on with providing community services there would be a lot less wasted funding.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X975	This whole review has received little, or no publicity. I'll wager that few folks within BCP know anything about these proposals.	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH21 1
X976	Timescale for implementation is short and leaves little room for additional consultation if required as implementing the new structure shouldn't rushed so this does feel somewhat like a decision has already been made and planning underway in the back ground. This needs to be a public and transparent process with information around responses shared with all residents before full council vote to ensure residents' can have confidence in decisions being made actually reflecting resident concerns/wishes and if necessary additional consultation should take place.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X977	to see how much it would cost to establish this set up	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X978	Too many councillors would be very confusing for the local people. We already have a ruling council.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4

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X979	Trial areas that actually want to be 'Parished' - with a referendum after 5 years to if residents in those areas want to keep them. There's a lot of distrust with BCP governance. If you go ahead without popular support, it would be a mistake. Honestly, I think we just need smaller BCP wards and more councillors to help represent more local issues - which would just 'fix' a lot of the issues the town council seeks to resolve anyway.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X980	Unnecessary	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X981	unnecessary unwanted vanity project	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH15 2
X982	Very interesting	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5

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X983	Very poor communication by BCP on such an important matter. Not aware of any open meetings to share information. No opportunity for residents to voice opinion of size of TC for Poole. If this is to happen the Poole areas should be smaller to reflect individual are	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0
X984	Waste of money and time! The residents did not request it, I suspect too many egos within BCP Council.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X985	Waste of money and time. Further bureaucracy. Split back to three towns. Most people will be happy with that	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X986	Waste of money at all levels. Far too many Councillors proposed. Broadstone should not be a separate area. Current number of councillors for BCP Council sufficient and even they aren't the best of the best that they think they are.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X987	Waste of money time and resources. This whole exercise has cost money already, don't waste more.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X988	Waste of money, pretend involvement. Platform for people who like the sound of their own voices & throwing their weight around. Waste of officer time to consult with these bodies. Bournemouth & Poole need investment, arts & culture, transport infrastructure. Step up to the level of development that is commensurate with the size of the Local Authority. Look to the offer that Brighton makes to its residents.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X989	Waste of time and money	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X990	Waste of time and money. Just fix the roads.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
X991	waste of time and money. Look after the people without raising any council tax or services	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 8
X992	Waste of time and our money.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X993	Waste of time. Poorly considered. Unnecessary. Will add cost for no benefit.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X994	Waste of your time and our money, not needed not wanted no more councillors with expenses	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X995	We all know that BCP will take no notice of this consultation and just do whatever they want. Roll on the next election, when we can get rid of this terrible council.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X996	We already have elected ward councillors. They should represent the residents. We do not need another raft of representatives. Ward councillors are elected or rejected on their effectiveness, get up, get out and do the job for which you canvassed!	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 8

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X997	We cannot afford another layer of government	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 2
X998	We do NOT NEED THIS granular of authority from a council perspective. It will be a burden, cost us more money and deliver nothing in a council where the resident councillors cannot think sensibly and for the benefit of the people for the people. Rather than adding more people who will add extra charges, lets get rid of the monopoly BCP have and get back to something that delivers a positive influence across the BCP region, some BCP council in its current form, fails to provide.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X999	We don't need a new tier of government. We need better use of the one we already have.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
X1000	We don't need another 42 elected councillors replicating roles and searching for things to do.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X1001	we don't need another layer of beauracracy with it's added complications.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X1002	We don't need another layer of councillors duplicating jobs and more wages meaning we the council tax payers paying more for hen basically doing the same job	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1003	We dont need another level of bureaucracy, costing more money and being charged to residents. BcP was suppost to save hundreds of thousands ,but with it, the creation of an unaccountable machine, who will now collect money, and pass all responsibility to local councils.fully fed, never accountable. We dont want it. If you want small,parish councils , disband BCP	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
X1004	We have enough money being spent on councils and councillors; any more must be a voluntary status with no payment involved	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X1005	We need Poole Town Council. BCP Council has failed on every level and should be disbanded. If not then the funding for Poole Town Council must come from existing rates not increased which burdens the people but will be swallowed up in yet more inflated council officer and admin costs. Poole Town Councillors should live or work in Poole and be independent if possible. Too many decisions for Poole are currently taken by incomers to Christchurch and Bournemouth with very little interest or knowledge of Poole , it's people and history.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X1006	We need smaller area decisions. Not stupid ones like closing roads which creates congestion and pollution.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X1007	We say no to this. You will be voted out at next election I am sure of that	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH12 3
X1008	We should have retained the original individual Councils for Bournemouth Poole And Christchurch.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 8
X1009	What a complete waste of money	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9
X1010	What a waste of public funds by current administartion who knowing they cannot full fill their promises or cannot full fill their duties wish to pass on these objectives to others so that they can take the blame.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6
X1011	What incredibly confusing questions! Please at least give us the costs in order to at least be able to decide whether we want to pay for these changes	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 8
X1012	What is the point of more bureaucracy, more councillors when we can't get the services we need at the moment. People can't afford higher bills just for 'jobs for the boys'.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X1013	What is the point. BCP is a coirrupt dictatorship. I dont want a parish council unless BCP is disbanded. Why was Drew Mellor not charged with fraud.	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 2
X1014	When I discuss this proposal with my friends most are completely unaware of it. I think it has been very poorly managed and advertised and the financial impact on residents given very low priority.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1015	When the Council is so stretched for money and they ignore what the residents want (total idiocy of the cycle lanes and the vast sums of money spent on them) . What is the point . ?? of more money being wasted and another level of bureaucracy.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3

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X1016	Where can I find the Governance Review. This whole mess started in 1974 when they changed Dorset's boundaries. Why did the Government at the time implement this? What was the need to change the boundaries?	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 2
X1017	Who came up with this stupid idea!!! Don't the council realise that people cannot afford more council tax especially as what we get from the council is poor value for money.	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH15 4
X1018	Why are we publicly wasting taxpayers funding with nothing to show except visibility showing public BCP only care about fethering more councillors nests. We can only speculate this is how lib dem formed the UA. Scratching political backsides.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 7
X1019	Why did we join with Bournemouth in the first place. Surely we should have learnt that big is unwieldy and inefficient.	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH14 9
X1020	Why do it?	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1021	Why do you want to go back to a small local governace after becoming the great big pointless BCP and then add more to our council tax for something that was not required when it was just Poole Christchurch and Bournemouth? It's bad enough how you treat us in our ever demanding view that everyone has to be made to cycle to work	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1022	Why is Broadstone treated as a separate issue and not Creekmoor?	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1023	Why is this needed? BCP is in a poor state with lack of funds, how is this going to improve that? What are the responsibilities of the parish council, which responsibilities will remain with BCP?	Poole Town	Hamworthy	BH16 5
X1024	Why isn't Creekmoor included , this survey is just skewed propaganda !	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X1025	Why not have a referendum of those affected by these proposed changes?			
	I'm sure you'll say it's too expensive, but what price democracy.	Poole Town	Oakdale	BH15 3
	More significantly however I suspect it can't be relied upon to deliver the desired response. So much easier to have a non binding consultation where the results can be "interpreted" to lead to the desired outcome.			
X1026	Why?!	Poole Town	Poole Town	BH15 1
X1027	Will all residents be able to see the (through open and transparent)consultaion ,numbers for the surveys or is this a text book decsion already made just to accomadate the thats required to move forward to these parish councils as a tick box excersise .	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7
X1028	Will it actually make any difference or will it just cost more and show no advancements? Will it mean we get a say in proposed planning or is this now a simply a backwards thinking Labour government thing? Will nature get better protected?	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X1029	Will the people be listened to? The consultation over traffic through Poole Park ignored the majority view. Time BCP started to recognise huge burden council tax is for residents and look for cost savings rather than adding yet further costs for local residents.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X1030	Will there be a roll out to encourage local engagement? What is being done to get community clubs involved	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH18 8
X1031	Would a Poole Town council report to BCP Council?	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 4
X1032	Yes - can you not find ways to spend LESS money, rather than more?	Poole Town	Canford Cliffs	BH13 6

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X1033	Yes I think the review is a waste of time, the decision has already been made just like the Poole Park Gate "consultation" where the wishes of the residents were ignored. You will do this regardless of the replies here because whereas we promote our country as democratic, it is not.	Poole Town	Alderney & Bourne Valley	BH12 1
X1034	Yes I totally feel that this is all a waste of council and tax payers money the state of the countries finances are not good and we should not be even thinking about setting up all these Parish and Town councils. I have seen how much money they cost to run and frankly it is money wasted. I have thought this for years, so many parish councils throughout Dorset spend far too much money on the Parish or Town council for themselves and not the people. When you have adverts for Town Clerks and the wage is £62.377.00 to £70.065.00 depending on qualifications I find this totally disgusting and a waste of money. We all should be saving money in every way we can. So setting up these councils is not a good idea. Use the money for the people.	Poole Town	Canford Heath	BH17 9
X1035	Yes, stop now, disband and get on with running our services instead of wasting more time and money.	Poole Town	Parkstone	BH14 0

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X1036	Yes, what is the point ? if the 'Council' are not going to change the amount of Councillors' or anything to do with the 'Council Tax' costings ? Other than putting anextra 1% on the bill for those under the burden every year, what is the gain ? All i see is another layer of bureaucracy, more money to go to yet more Councillors inflated wages and gold plated pensions ! another joke...no wonder so many are now beginning to realise that it is all a big, unlawful, tax con..	Poole Town	Bearwood & Merley	BH11 9
X1037	Yes. It's an insult to our intelligence, and we look forward to voting the LibDems and friends out of office. Particularly because they don't listen to local people and do things that weren't in their manifesto. Moreover they will not uphold the law to protect us from the junkies, shoplifters, drug dealers, and illegal immigrants who are turning our town centres into no-go zones. Instead they class these antisocial criminals as "the most vulnerable in our society". They are not.	Poole Town	Penn Hill	BH14 9

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X1038	Yes.			
	It's deeply disappointing that BCP Council's administration is choosing to divert time, energy and public funds into proposing new layers of governance that the public neither asked for nor need. The focus should be on improving the efficiency, visibility and effectiveness of the existing BCP structure, not creating costly town and parish councils to pass the buck.			
	The whole rationale for the 2019 reorganisation was to streamline local government and realise the benefits of a modern, unified authority. Yet here we are just a few years later, seemingly unravelling that progress and introducing fragmentation by stealth.			
	There's no public mandate for this. No groundswell of demand. And no real benefit to residents. In fact, it undermines the bold ambition that BCP once had - a 21st Century City by the Sea - by retreating into parochialism and adding bureaucracy instead of delivering better outcomes.	Poole Town	Talbot & Branksome Woods	BH12 5
	This review risks becoming a distraction from the real issues: tackling inequality, fixing local services, managing growth responsibly, and making the BCP vision work for all our communities.			
	If the current leadership wants to rebuild public trust and civic pride, it should focus on delivering what we already have, not layering on governance that no one asked for.			
X1039	Yet another Labour plan to increase civil servant numbers without any regard to the cost implications.	Poole Town	Creekmoor	BH17 7

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X1040	You had 3 separate councils, you caused staff working for those councils high amounts of stress, putting them through competition. No achievement has been made from BCP you can't just change your mind without acknowledging the damage you have done to those employed by the previous town councils or the residents of those councils.	Poole Town	Newtown & Heatherlands	BH14 0
X1041	An excessive amount seems to be being committed to consultations which could be better spent on improving the lot of those local residents in real need	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1042	BCP needs to be broken up back into it's constituent towns. We do not need a city here, and definitely not run from Bournemouth. Which needs to be returned to Hampshire.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1043	I am grateful to have the opportunity to take part in this review having happily lived in Christchurch Town (Fairmile) since 1946	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1044	I started this process with an open mind expecting to find lots of information about the pros and cons of this decision to help me consider the options, however, I quickly realised that most of the information was about the first 2 parts of the process that had already taken place at a much higher level (understandably) proposing how to divide the area up etc and very little information to help me (a resident) decide at a very basic level what would be the best outcome for me and my family. A very disappointing approach given that you are asking for my views but I am unable to give you an informed answer.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1045	It has been poorly administered. We never received a flyer through the door, no did several friends locally. This is such an important issue for residents, the consultation process has not been inclusive and the information supplied minimal.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1046	It is an absurdity, BCP council not been given a chance to drive efficiency savings. Also the savers should say BCP and not reference defunt companies such as Bournemouth Borough Council	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1047	It is an unnecessary level of bureaucracy.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1048	More money down the drain! for the [unknown] ours have not been [unknown] for years. or kerbs of weeds like we used [unknown] ours very unhappy [unknown]!!	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	

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X1049	no	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1050	Nothings here thanks	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1051	Please, please, please do not do this. It is crazy. It is a massive distraction from just getting on and doing the great work that a good Council should be doing.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
	Please also consider whether this consulation is meaningfull given the time it would take your citizens to fully engage with it - just reading the document is highly prohibitive.			
X1052	Some of the questions are completely irrelevant to the survey - see last two pages. Has anyone from BCP actually read it?	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1053	The administration of the three councils into BCP was promoted on the premiss of a more efficient, effective service for all of us. It would appear they would now wish to offload some responsibilities to an unelected body who it appears will not be accountable to us the electorate.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1054	There should be a further stage of consultation [unknown] the process of such a proposal, the degree to which it take over responsibilities from BCP council, determining a precept that the [unknown] take 'election' shall be no more than council tax and those [unknown] to the parish councillors shall have no political affection (as the case in existing Parish)	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	

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X1055	This whole thing is wrong!			
	I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils			
	There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly 1) what the new town and parish councils will do and 2) how much tax with NO ceiling increase will cost.			
	The timing of this consultation is so wrong costing in excess of £100k when money could have been better spent.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
	I strongly believe it's just a matter of creating 'jobs for the boys' . . . Or should I say girls in this instance!			
	This survey and completing it is so very onerous. That too is disgusting and it's obviously relying on people to not bother giving their views as it's too difficult Disagree			
	If the Liberal Democrats wish to go this postpone it until 2027 so it can be voted on properly. Stop wasting money the council does not have			
X1056	We don't want this	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1057	While the consultation time has been sufficient. The background for the 3 main 'Town Councils' has been rushed or not thought through. They are really not part of governance, there voice is not powerful enough and easily dismissed.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1058	Yes, it's all total bullshit. Get rid of it. No one is interested and nobody wants to pay any more taxes for it.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	

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X1059	Yes, whilst i think it inportant to have these reviesw, this survey and all the information was not really publised. That there is a real option to do nothing is not mentioned in the review. In many ways the review is presenting a signle proposal so strickly speaking of a review of the options. It is not made clear that if only a few areas were adopted then the charters would remain and a 3-tier system would be put in place.	Postcode Not Matched	Postcode Not Matched	
X1060	A costly consultation which will hopefully be scrapped	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1061	Don't do it. It's a waste of money to make a few self-important people feel more important	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
X1062	I hope that it comes to fruition	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1063	it's a Big council con. Getting more money off us to provide an already rubbish service.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5

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X1064	LGR has been a difficult but highly successful process albeit, it is the government that has benefitted from the huge savings and efficiencies achieved, and not residents, who are understandably frustrated about the reduction in the level and quality of many of the services supplied by BCP Council. The reduction in Local Government funding has forced the Council to focus primarily on statutory services, in particular Adult and Children's social care. This means that around 75% of all the revenue collected by the council is expended on a relatively small percentage of the population, maybe less than 5%.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
	For residents that see their council tax going up year on year, but with a corresponding reduction in the quantity and quality of non-statutory services, this seems inexplicable. The council's answer to this is to absolve itself from any responsibility to provide non-statutory services by introducing Parish and or Town Councils who will be allowed to tax residents separately in order to fund the services that BCP says it should not, or cannot afford to provide. This is treating the symptoms of the problems, and not the cause, which is the government's failure to fund local government adequately, whilst at the same time restricting the Council's ability to raise council tax to a level that could enable them to properly fund services, both statutory and non statutory.			
	The proposal to introduce parish or town councils in the manor proposed will lead to a chaotic, hugely divisive, costly, bureaucratic, unfair and completely unnecessary level of local government that is completely at odds with the aims of Local Government Reorganisation and the very reasons why BCP was created.			
	Should these proposals go ahead, the introduction of a Strategic Authority led by a Mayor, will add yet another layer of local government that will need to be paid for by the tax payer. This looks very much like a return to the previous patterns of local government that I thought we were moving away from.			
X1065	No. I have said it all.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1066	not needed - not required.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
X1067	Scrap it.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
X1068	Seems to me like a big waste of Council Tax payers' money.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1069	Stop trying to waste tax payers money	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1070	The comments I put in the Redhill & Northbourne section should apply to all BCP districts. We have a council, why create more expense & confusion, better that the BCP council does IT'S job properly, without any additional layers.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1071	The creation of the Poole and Bournemouth town parishes seems to be a step back to the independent councils prior to BCP being created. If this is an unnecessary and costly addition to the local council tax burden the validity of the proposal should be brought into question.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1072	The whole bureaucracy needs slimming down, productivity needs improving, I'm still waiting for a new bin lid!	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
X1073	To my knowledge, residents of BCP were not consulted as to whether this review should have been undertaken. at all. It seems that the changes being thrust upon us are of little, if any, benefit.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5

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X1074	Town and Parish councils should be removed as they add an unnecessary layer of councils for no added benefit. Equivalent roles and clear departmental structures already exist under BCP so these should be given the full remit to improve their own services, with existing precept payments being absorbed into these departmental budgets. Ward councillors already provide the representation to ensure community views and cohesion are considered in council decisions.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
X1075	Waste of time and resources	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6

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X1076	We are living through a time of deep public disillusionment with politics. Trust in institutions is at historic lows, and there is a widespread sense that government—at all levels—is no longer capable of delivering meaningful change.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
	Nowhere is this felt more sharply than in local government. After more than a decade of severe funding cuts, councils have been forced to strip back vital services, leaving many communities underserved and residents frustrated. What remains is often the bare minimum required by law—services are less visible, less responsive, and less accessible than they used to be.			
	In this context, people are not asking for more layers of government. They don't want new titles, new committees, or another tier of politicians with limited powers and limited ability to effect change. But that is exactly what parish councils would introduce—and at a cost.			
	There are several key problems with the proposal to introduce parish councils in Bournemouth:			
	They risk deepening inequality. Affluent areas could raise more money through parish precepts, while less affluent areas—such as Boscombe—would struggle to match this, leading to uneven service provision across the town.			
	They undermine democratic participation. Turnout in local elections is already low. Parish council elections often see dismal turnout, favouring the most organised and well-resourced voices, not necessarily the most representative. Fragmenting local democracy makes it more complex, less transparent, and less accessible.			
	They increase the cost of living. Parish councils rely on a precept added to council tax. Council tax is already regressive—adding more costs hits lower-income residents hardest.			
	They dilute the purpose of BCP. The BCP Council was created to bring coherence, scale, and shared purpose to our region. Breaking it apart into smaller, less accountable units undermines its ability to deliver effectively for all.			
	The consultation itself reflects this fragmentation. When asking which area best reflects your identity, the options are limited only to proposed parish council names. There is no opportunity to say “Bournemouth” or “BCP”—a glaring omission that excludes residents who don't engage with the ward system (most, of course, don't vote in local elections, and don't know which ward they live in) or who identify with the town or the wider region rather than with these artificially defined neighbourhood units.			
	There is no strong grassroots demand for parish councils in Bournemouth. Bournemouth is one town, and its strength lies in working together with the rest of BCP to build a fairer, more sustainable future for everyone. We should resist efforts to Balkanise our communities into smaller, less effective and less equal structures.			

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X1077	We live in an age of unprecedented voter disillusionment, where the public has completely lost trust in public institutions at all levels to deliver real change.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 6
	Local government is at the sharp end of this - over a decade of funding cuts have reduced local services to a shoestring, making them less responsive and more inaccessible to residents, while failing to provide so many of the local services residents had come to expect from local councils.			
	Many of these vital services have been progressively pared back and in some cases completely eliminated as the council focuses on meeting its bare minimum statutory requirements with the very limited resources it has.			
	Against this tragic backdrop, local people don't want another layer of bureaucracy and a new class of politicians who promise change but fail to deliver. But that is precisely what parish councils entail.			
	The key issues with parish councils are as follows:			
	1. They risk inequality of local services. Some parts of Bournemouth are more affluent than others. If those parts had their own parish council, they would be able to raise more council tax to fund local services, while other parts, such as Boscombe, wouldn't be able to raise the same funds.			
X1078	2. They undermine democracy. Turnout at council elections is already low. Town and parish councils see truly abysmal turnouts. Lower turnouts tend to benefit the wealthier and more conservative sections of society. Democracy needs to be simple, accessible, and understandable - adding a whole new layer of politicians and further fragmenting decisionmaking to an entire new set of bodies will not improve outcomes nor help and encourage people to engage in local democracy. This makes politics less accessible, more difficult for citizens navigate, and less responsive to citizens' voices.	Redhill & Northbourne	Redhill & Northbourne	BH10 5
	3. They increase the cost of living. Although parish councils don't have to raise a precept, they can't do much without one. The larger the precept, the larger your council tax bill. And council tax is a regressive tax - it hits lower-income people harder.			
	4. They undermine the purpose of BCP. The core idea of BCP was to bring services together and integrate what is effectively a city region, for the benefit of residents, with economies of scale and unified strategy. This becomes more difficult the more power is spread out to small, less accountable bodies.			
	Please respect that Bournemouth has effectively no significant movement in favour of parish councils. Bournemouth is Bournemouth - it's one town, which, by working together with our friends across BCP to pool our strengths as one, has absolutely enormous potential.			
	Bournemouth and BCP should not be Balkanised into small, isolated, unequal, and undemocratic new units of government. Our strength, and indeed the strength and founding purpose of BCP as a whole, is in working together as a cohesive whole to build a brighter future for all. That is where we should focus all our energy, not in parish councils.			
X1079	Bournemouth is a shit hole, the council dont care and do nothing neither do the police.	Respondent from outside BCP	West Purbeck	BH20 5
X1080	extra cost for little value and no reason to add a whole new and pointless level of beaurocracy	Respondent from outside BCP	Corfe Mullen	BH18 9
X1081	I think it has been excellently laid out and is very clear. WELL DONE BCP COUNCIL OFFICERS AND COUNCILLORS!	Respondent from outside BCP	Corfe Mullen	BH21 3
X1082	no	Respondent from outside BCP	Corfe Mullen	BH18 9

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X1083	Please ensure you seek representation from young people and children as well as the other marginalised areas within Poole. Parents and carers of SEND - Schools - local charities and the services - plus a variety of ethnicities and cultural backgrounds	Respondent from outside BCP	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
X1084	WASTE OF MONEY. If BCP put another layer of tax into play then BCP should receive less money.	Respondent from outside BCP	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
X1085	WHY HAVE YOU INCLUDED UPTON IN YOUR DELIVERING OF THE FLYER? YOUV'E TRIED TO GRAB UPTON IN THE PAST, SO KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF OF UPTON & LYTCHETT MINSTER	Respondent from outside BCP	Lytchett Matravers & Upton	BH16 5
X1086	No	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1087	I'm concerned this consultation isn't reaching the average resident. We need transparency, clarity, and simplicity—otherwise, we're only hearing from the loudest voices, not the broadest.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1088	A waste of money which could have been used to actually improve services.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1089	Apart from the online survey and paper copies available in the libraries, the small leaflet delivered to each household did not really explain what is happening. Will there be unbiased media coverage ie tv/radio/newspapers. People need to know more about it.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1090	As stated in my previous answers, it is my opinion that there is no need for another layer of governance. The existing 76 councillors of BCP council should cover all matters in the community.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3

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X1091	As we have suggested the use of related alterations, we also sought guidance from the Local Government Boundary Commission on what an appropriate consultation process for these changes should involve, as this is a statutory requirement. The Commission has provided the following clarification: We would normally expect to see evidence of potential changes to principal council ward boundaries flagged in the CGR consultation itself so all have the chance to see and comment on them. However, the process you propose to follow seems reasonable to me. We would want to see what the outcome of this specific consultation, as well as the wider CGR outcome. I'm sure you have seen this already, but Section 6 of our joint guidance on CGRs outlines the related alterations process: https://www.lgbce.org.uk/sites/default/files/2023-03/community-governance-review-guidance.pdf It is worth noting that if the proposed changes are widespread and would have a detrimental effect on electoral equality in the wards concerned, the Commission might decide not to grant the related alterations and conduct a full electoral review instead. All of the proposed changes will need information both on the current number of electors affected and a five-year forecast of electors too.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1092	BCP is a disaster as overstaffed expensive local authority which has not carried out the quoted savings, staff and accommodation reductions forecaste in its formation claims. This review is an expensive exercise from an organisation which has not undertaken its current philosophy.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1093	Before my time it was B, C & P separately. Then amalgamated. Now looking to splinter again. Instead of all this time and cost dividing and regrouping, just do stuff? Services are failing, the towns are becoming ghosts and just having more committees taking public money for tea and biscuit chats wont change a thing.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1094	Believe parish councils should be scrapped, simply another layer of cost and bureaucracy which be served better by centralised service. It would make it much harder to get things done or agreement across parishes	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1095	Completely disagree with the concept of town/parish/community councils devolving responsibility from those who have the experience and knowledge to deliver. We should be supporting and funding what we already have instead looking at ways to hoodwink the public in to parting with money that they can ill afford to spend.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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	Dear BCP Council, I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed creation of a town or parish council for Southbourne. 1. No Need for Additional Layers of Government Southbourne already receives services through BCP Council and its existing structures. Introducing another tier of government is unnecessary and inefficient. It risks duplicating responsibilities, confusing accountability, and adding further bureaucracy to a system that already struggles with responsiveness and clarity. 2. Increased Council Tax is Unjustified The introduction of a parish or town council would inevitably lead to higher council tax, regardless of promises that the precept may be small. The average charges in other areas (e.g. Christchurch Town at £70.23) show this can be a significant additional burden, especially during a time when households are already under financial pressure. Instead of introducing new costs, the council should be finding ways to reduce the overall tax burden on residents. 3. Focus on Efficiency, Not Expansion Local government should follow the same principles households are forced to apply: live within their means. Many residents are cutting costs and prioritising spending. The council should do the same. It is no longer acceptable to justify new spending or governance structures by citing reductions in central government funding. Like residents, the council must learn to prioritise, streamline services, and make responsible cuts instead of inflating the public sector at local expense. 4. Risks of Mission Creep and Redundancy Even if initial responsibilities of a parish or town council seem minor (e.g., Christmas lights or noticeboards), there is a clear risk of mission creep. These councils often begin to take on broader roles and spend more, without delivering proportionate value. Southbourne does not need another platform for token projects that come at real cost. 5. Representation Already Exists There are already elected councillors representing Southbourne through BCP Council. If residents are dissatisfied, the answer lies in holding those councillors accountable, not creating more politicians, more committees, or more meetings. In conclusion, I urge the Task and Finish Group and Full Council to reject the proposal to create a parish or town council for Southbourne. It would be a retrograde step, introducing unnecessary cost, complexity, and confusion, when what we really need is leaner, smarter, more accountable local governance.			
X1096	Local government should follow the same principles households are forced to apply: live within their means. Many residents are cutting costs and prioritising spending. The council should do the same. It is no longer acceptable to justify new spending or governance structures by citing reductions in central government funding. Like residents, the council must learn to prioritise, streamline services, and make responsible cuts instead of inflating the public sector at local expense.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1097	Despite the consultation, I am concerned that public awareness is not sufficient to justify the change going ahead as early as 2026. Many residents and businesses affected by the proposals are still unaware of the impact on them, such as those around the boundary, and all I speak to are surprised when it is explained. I recommend that the final decision or implementation is deferred to give more time for the community to be aware of the changes, particularly if you want good turnout and participation in elections.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1098	DON'T WASTE COUNCIL TAX MONEY ON THIS STUPID SCHEME SPEND IT ON HEALTH SERVICES, POLICING AND MAINTAINING THE ROADS AND STREETS	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1099	expensive madness	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1100	Extra layers of councils and councillors would produce zero benefits to efficiency and operating costs. Indeed multiple layers of councils would cause confusion and disrupt community cohesion. it would be a backward step in town harmony and development.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1101	Forget it!	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1102	Good luck - and keep Town Hall administration to absolute minimum -otherwise there will soon be representations from the community to do away with the community councils!	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1103	Hopefully it will not waste endless Council time, create yet more departments full of people to manage it all, and therefore use up the funds desperately needed to provide vital and increasing social care.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1104	Hopefully the results of this survey will be strongly against he proposed changes and that concil effort & money can get back to the key issues and stop being wasted (time & money) on this proposal.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1105	How much is the Community Governance Review costing the tax payer?	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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X1106	I am concerned that a lot of time has been spent considering this proposal that may have been better directed to other issues.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1107	I am concerned that the ward councillors in our area are pushing hard for this change without truly thinking about the impact on the residents.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1108	I am in favour of creating a Parish Council for Southborne (I live here), and would be interested in becoming involved, if it were an option.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1109	I am pleased that this is going ahead and feel that some good and detailed work has been undertaken on these proposals	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1110	I attended a meeting to see the presentation about the Review . I listened to questions and noted who was interested to attend the meeting. I came away concerned about the concept of the councils and would like to state my strong objection. As I have put elsewhere in this document - and repeated in quite a few places in order to make sure my thoughts are seen :) - the concept of a council made up from volunteers seem flawed and risky. Just to repeat:	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
	I note that in local parish councils established in 2019 elections were contested in 2019 but then not in 2023, apart from one ward in Christchurch. I feel strongly that the premise of setting up councils made up from volunteers is deeply flawed. Where is the governance and vetting of these probably well meaning but possibly not capable individuals? Alarm bells ring when the initial enthusiasm for putting themselves up to contest an election has disappeared and the council continues with no possible change of personnel? People who put themselves forward may have particular pet interests and may make short term decisions with unforeseen consequences down the line. The whole premise seems to be a way to off load some responsibilities from the council but the approach of getting some members of the community, whose only qualification may be the location of their house, to take these responsibilities on seems very risky			
X1111	I believe this is a way of trying to hide the fact that local government is underfunded and will not achieve what is intended.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1112	I do feel that Boscombe has a unique identity and would benefit enormously from having more input from residents via a Parish Council. In the last decade, the Boscombe Forum began the regeneration of Boscombe, which is beginning to take shape. I am sure a Parish Council in Boscombe can only add to this regeneration where they will be able to apply for more funding to harness and promote its artistic base, history and galvanise more residents toward a better future.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1113	I feel this is a good move to let more people have a say in their local area.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1114	I have been a parish councillor in the past and they can meaningful and can create change for the good of everyone.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1115	I honestly thought the Liberal Democrats sought to lead for the good of all residents. This just looks like political opportunism.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1116	I hope not too much money is being wasted on setting up the proposal and advertising thereof	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1117	I hope that there is significant community engagement and meaningful responses received, with a good percentage of overall respondents before any decisions are made. This feels like further significant changes, (that require full community participation in order to make it work), having gone through the upheaval of the formation of BCP Council in 2019.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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X1118	I implore the council not to go ahead with this plan.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1119	I strongly disagree with the proposals and think they would be a big step back. Do not add this complexity and cost and just stay with what we have and improve from there	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1120	I suspect that this survey is not fully qualitative, it has a bias towards making this proposal be approved,	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1121	I Think adding numerous extra parishes all arguing over what area should get certain benefits over others will cause more problems than it will solve. Needs to be unbiased and simple council and fair to all.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1122	I think the time scale for getting information out to residents is much too short. And I think without public meetings funded by BCP most residents will not know the benefits of a Community/Town/Parish Council and will not fill out the survey. Most people I have met, once they know the positive aspects are in favour of a local council but if there are no public meetings in Bournemouth, who is going to explain to residents the benefits? Many residents don't know who the Charter Trustees are or that they are paying £2 per annum in a precept to the CT. Paying as little as £20 per annum in a precept would vastly improve the funds available for Bournemouth Town Centre but if there are no public meetings the opportunity could be missed.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1123	I thought central government were wanting to reduce the levels of bureacracy at local level. I cannot see what these councils will do that BCP isn't doing already.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1124	I understand the rationale for a community council but with our boundaries are so close to Boscombe & Pokesdown I'm not sure it would suit this area.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1125	I want to see evidence that this review is listened to (what ever way the comments and views come out) rather than rubber stamping a decision that's already been made. Make the decision be based on facts.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1126	I wish you well with the task & finish group, as the saying goes Just Do It, but get the training right, get the delivery of the message right & look at how things are communicated from BCP not by political parties, embargo councillors from making comments, until the councillors have been trained as the hate that will come their way does not need to be stirred up further by bringing politics into this IMHO.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1127	I would like to be reassured that any decisions will be truely democratic based on the number of households in the area not just on the number of respondents to the consultation.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1128	I would like Tuckton to have it's own council representation so locals can build a community identity and improve the look and feel of the area. I would like direct funding for Tuckton projects that impact locals and visitors and draw extra footfall to the area while retaining a small town/ village feel. Funding for local projects especially the high street could improve the look and feel of the whole space and create a sense of pride.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1129	I would rather BCP council lived up to their responsibilities and were held accountable, in which case community councils would not be necessary!	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1130	If the proposal is to proceed with parish councils then this should be put to a referendum of residents and not based on a consultation most people won't bother to fill in.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1131	If we are expected to pay a precept will our council tax be reduced accordingly?	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1132	I'm deeply upset that this is not an anonymous survey as any other vote would be for an elected official	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1133	In a nutshell it beggars belief. Services in BCP have seriously deteriorated since they merged in 2019. Too many people involved in the running of three different areas has resulted in extremely poor service and unfathomable decisions which have added nothing to the benefit of the area. Adding even more Councils underneath BCP Council just doesn't make any sense at all. I suggest BCP concentrate on improving their services rather than creating new Councils which are highly unlikely to be of any benefit to the residents of BCP.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1134	Information should be available at final of review regarding the councillors for each ward.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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	Is there anything else that you would like to say about the Community Governance Review? Yes. As Chair of the Boscombe and Pokesdown Community Forum, I would like to thank the Council for undertaking this important review. The opportunity to reimagine how local governance operates across Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole is both timely and necessary. The creation of more responsive, community-led structures has the potential to bring decision-making closer to the people, foster civic pride, and support long-term local resilience. However, the process must remain transparent, inclusive and genuinely consultative. Where proposals have emerged from residents, forums, and neighbourhood partnerships — as is the case with the Boscombe and Pokesdown Community Council — they deserve serious consideration and support. These proposals are rooted in years of community engagement and reflect the lived experiences of local people. Conversely, proposals that have not come through public consultation — such as the Bournemouth Town Council — must be approached with caution. Structural changes must not be introduced by default, or as administrative solutions to governance gaps, without direct and meaningful input from the communities affected. We ask that the Council ensures: Full transparency in how decisions are made and proposals evaluated; Protection for adopted Neighbourhood Plans and the integrity of existing community-led planning; A commitment that no area will be assigned to a governance structure it has not asked to join, without being specifically consulted. This review represents a rare chance to strengthen local democracy. To do so successfully, it must continue to prioritise place-based identity, accountability, and community voice above uniformity or administrative simplicity.			
X1135		Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1136	Is this not a task that our local MP is already achieving? Should BCP as a council not already be achieving this too? Could time, effort and public money instead be spent on streamlining the local council, improving efficiencies in the local council, and spending greater time "on the ground" engaging in local community? As an active member of the local community myself, my family and I have seen first hand the cuts that BCP have made- especially on the beachfront, something so many BCP locals are proud of. When "efficiency" is such a focus in wider UK Government and the Civil Service, maybe BCP council could consider the same- instead of spending further funds on increasing levels of bureaucracy.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3

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X1137	It is not appropriate to create another level of bureaucracy within local government particularly as the proposed parish councils will have very limited powers, if any. The proposed election of councillors is clearly undemocratic and I query why so many parish councillors are needed. There is no logic to on the one hand creating BCP to reduce administration amongst other things and on the other creating lots of parish councils with limited powers.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1138	It is not needed. BCP councillors just need to do the role that they were elected for	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1139	It seems unnecessary and adding extra layers of bureaucracy at extra cost to local residents, but with no additional benefits. Also the review and process must have cost extra money.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1140	It's a total waste of money and time, don't try and fix something that isn't broken, spend your time money and resources sorting out Bournemouth town centre to be a safer cleaner place to visit, concentrate on sorting out the crime and more visible police on the beat in all communities	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1141	It's very hard to vote for something with no known financial consequence. Council tax goes up and up yet so could this. I fear that some in Southbourne want everything perfect eg community events, youth clubs etc, planting/baskets, all regardless of cost or peoples' income.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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X1142	It's a way of passing the cost onto us, as a community. Instead of managing what we do have. Please don't go down this rabbit hole.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1143	It's fine to have a review but, as far as I can see, it is an additional layer of bureaucracy and that will cost additional money and feel that Council Tax is getting too much so there is no need for more money to be shelled out for this. Many years' ago, parish councillors only were paid expenses - now they have a salary and a pension. IT IS TOO MUCH!!!	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1144	Make the case for change by providing a proper cost benefit analysis. These are the benefit and these are the costs. So people can judge whether the benefits are worth it	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1145	Money wasted again on a stupid idea, I get the strong feeling some people are going to make money out of this. My goals for Bournemouth 1) get rid of the goats and cattle we have for no reason. 2) start maintaining the gardens parks and cliff tops cut the bloody grass and give us the sea views back. 3) reduce the townhall office and no working from home ,as its grossly over staffed. 4) force the police to do their job charge and remove the drunks and druggies and homeless from all public area's. 5) reduce parking charges and the centre may generate ,this will only help if the previous is done as well. 6) get rid of all the BIDS that businesses have to pay.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1146	More representation is good thing for the community. The plans should go ahead.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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X1147	My views are set out in the survey	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1148	New Parish councils are not needed	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1149	no	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1150	no	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1151	no	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1152	No thank you	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1153	Not wanted, why not just get rid of BCP and return to what we had before with each town having its own council.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1154	Only to reiterate what I said in reply to question 14 - leave this until after the 2027 elections, with a suggestion to revert to the previous local authority areas, which worked quite well, with no need for one authority of BCP	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1155	Overall I would prefer this not too be implemented as it is making another tier of council which does not appear to have justified a benefit. I would rather the council did not consult on this, leave it as is, and instead concentrate of delivering services.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1156	Parish councils are an unnecessary administrative tier. They result in additional costs - without value for money - for council tax payers. In the context ongoing economic crisis, and world-wide unrest, this is the wrong time to be debating this. Instead, existing councillors and leaders would do better to focus on providing more efficient and cost effective services within the existing resources. This review is just the Labour government's way of distracting the country from the real issues and problems.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1157	Parish Councils are an unnecessary extra level of burocracy costing additional precepts to local people when the parish council does not have skilledexpertise to carry out duties that should be carried out by competent and trained staff. The environment is a good example. E.g. A parish council could never afford to have skilled expertise in environmental matters - something which is a core responsibility of the Unitary Authority.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1158	Please just get on with doing the day-job; when that is done is the time for considering alternative propositions. There seems to me to be a lot of the day-job still to be done with my current council tax	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1159	Save money and scrap the idea. no more bumbledom councils.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1160	Scrap it. Are the elected local councillors failing in their duties ? If not why do we need further parishes? If they are failing then sack them.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1161	Stop wasting our money, smd do the job ypu are paid/elected to do.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1162	Thank you for the opportunity to have this consultation and good luck sorting out all the comments!	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4

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X1163	Thanks for all the hard work that has gone into this consultation process.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1164	Thankyou for giving me the chance to express my views.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 5
X1165	The current council format does not seem to represent local people well enough. I hope this gives greater democratic access and local decision making including around matters of tourism and planning.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1166	The current system provides sufficient accountability and accessibility. We need no more local representatives.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1167	The money spent on this review could have been used to improve our area, such as getting rid of weeds in road gutters.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1168	The proposal risks duplication and confusion of functions and extra costs without additional benefits where there has been no significant historic community identity of interest warranting previous demand for parish or town councils.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1169	The purpose of this review is a way for BCP to shift responsibilities and costs for providing non statutory services to another body.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1170	The review is very speedy and there are many I talk to who know nothing about it even though the Southbourne Forum has worked hard to disseminate information. How will I know who are standing and if they will be good for our area?	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1171	The whole idea will just create another level of bureaucracy which costs money and achives nothing. Council Tax is high enough already without adding unnecessary vanity projects which no one has voted for.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1172	There has not been a lot of publicity and only found out from a friend	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1173	There has not been enough publicly for this	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1174	There has not been much information, especially about what difference a community council can make to an area, learning from Dorset and the rest of country. This feels like a vacuum that has been filled with misinformation, which is unfortunate, as most areas with community and town councils keep them (based on very. very few are ever abolished)	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3

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X1175	There is only one compulsory matter -allotments - for parish councillors to deal with. Why does it need 12 or, indeed, any more than the existing two councillors.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1176	This has the potential to cause harm to the people in this area.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1177	This is an unnecessary and expensive extra layer of bureaucracy. It undermines the main purpose of BCP (to integrate services across our town) by playing to parochial loyalties. It will increase costs for local residents and possibly create inequality between the levels of services in different areas. Not a good idea.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1178	This review is a costly expenditure, and the result should be published and debated in public meetings, giving residents the opportunity to hear others opinions, and challenge them where necessary	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1179	Too much money being spent on administration/re-organization rather than providing services	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1180	Total waste of money	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1181	Total waste of taxpayers money	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1182	Unclear on benefits. This is not consultation just an attempt at rubber stamping	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3

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X1183	Very few people in this area I have spoken to are aware of what is going on with these proposals. Furthermore, I believe that before anything as major as this is introduced, there should be a proper voting poll system set up as for a local government or general election. Currently BCP is at stage 3 of this consultation/proposals & having been to a public meeting about this it is clearly apparent that even BCP officials presenting the proposals are not knowledgeable enough to fully answer the searching questions of those present having legitimate concerns over the UNCAPPED costs & lack of training/health and safety deficiencies of newly elected councillors etc and handling of finances where local communities are taking control over land currently owned under BCP main council. These proposed changes could and will surely lead to a situation whereby there will be additional bureaucracy resulting in ratepayers being unsure which council is responsible for what issues and even poorer services than the deteriorating services we get now since BCP took over from Bournemouth Council.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1184	Waste of money, time and space, but it's probably a done deal anyway.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1185	Waste of time	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1186	Waste of time. Typical backdoor politics. Why aren't the proposers named ,why has the form been made so difficult to fill in I wonder (effectively putting people off filling it in.) You are clearly bringing this in anyway. Just don't come knocking on my little piece of Southbourne.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1187	we are objecting to the proposals	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1188	We do NOT need more councillors in the BCP area! The existing councillors should be trained to do a better job & not waste our taxes! They should control their funds instead of going into huge debt & asking schools to subsidise their debt. The system needs to be simplified NOT further complicated. Further councillors means more expensive council tax for NO PURPOSEFUL REASON- just more people doing a bad job. This is an unnecessary cost for zero benefit.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3
X1189	We don't need Parish Councils. Council Tax is already too high.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1190	What a waste of time & money!	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1191	What sort of person came up with this idea? Stop trying to create councils that costs us more money, give a greater opportunity for corruption and attempt to micro manage behaviours. We already read newspaper article about people being fined for putting things on the end of their driveways, now you will give a crazy bunch powers to further infringe our rights. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. DROP THIS LUDICROUS IDEA. I DON'T WANT TO GIVE YOU ANY MORE OF MY MONEY BUT I EXPECT I WILL BE FORCED TO.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1192	Whay a waste of our money.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5

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X1193	When Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole became BCP I actually thought that things would become more streamline and transparent. Having lived in the area for over 50 years and witnessed, first hand, how we have just become one big conurbation it made perfect sense to me to merge and share the responsibilities under one governance control. Obviously, my rather simplistic view did not take into account that the new BCP would want to over complicate matters. I can only speak for myself, but I'm not really bothered about who my councillor is. From my previous, rather limited experience, I have never had many dealings with them anyway. The ones I have had have not been very impressive and I'm pretty confident that I am not in the minority here. What is important to me is the services that my council provide. This proposal seems to be somewhat over complicated and not in the best interests of the residents living in the area. Extra layers of bureaucracy does very little to deal with the service residents expect, which has significantly deteriorated over the years by the way. All this will do is fuel confusion and resentment . We don't have to go back too far in history to see this - BREXIT. What I would like to see is BCP spending money where it matters. This being the services we expect you to provide. Surely it makes more sense to have ONE streamlined organisation managing this?? Distributing the responsibility like you are proposing is just a recipe for failure/disaster.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1194	Why are you doing this so soon after the deeply unpopular decision to amalgamate the three councils and? Did you not have a review before BCP and did you get it so wrong that you have to waste even more money	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1195	Why is the council wasting time and money on this proposal when this creates more layers of bureaucracy to hide behind? Bournemouth Council was never financially savvy and when it joined the three councils of Poole and Christchurch to BCP we have seen a worsening of services and now even more layers being proposed. This does not represent the constituents of the communities as the reason to go to a unitary authority was for economies of scale, by pushing parishes on communities there is risk of increased cost but no financial/ethical reason as a council tax payer to consider accepting these proposals	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1196	Will you take full notice of the results of the opinions given in this questionnaire?	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1197	Would consider councillor role if understood [unknown]/commitment needed.	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 3

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	Yes — I think the process of setting up new councils should be allowed to happen more naturally and gradually, led by the communities themselves. Smaller, locally-driven parish councils will be more meaningful and reflective of residents' real needs and identities, rather than trying to implement multiple large-scale changes all at once. There's a worry that this review is more about BCP Council trying to offload costs due to its financial difficulties, rather than genuinely empowering communities. Local governance should be about improving representation and quality of life — not just passing down responsibilities without proper support. If BCP really wants to strengthen communities, it should focus on encouraging and enabling local voices to shape their own future at their own pace — not forcing through blanket changes that risk doing more harm than good.			
X1198		Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 3
X1199	Yes , stop adding levels of bureaucracy that improve nothing	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1200	You haven't explained why you want to do this. Seems like more bureaucracy for no apparent benefit to residents. Tell us how much per household this will cost & why it's necessary.	Southbourne	West Southbourne	BH6 5
X1201	You need to ensure information is equal and complete on both hard copy and online. It is also not widely known that Parish council voting is underway. I'd recommend more marketing and awareness to ensure the community are aware. Thank you to those who are organising and attending local events	Southbourne	East Southbourne & Tuckton	BH6 4
X1202	Please stop wasting our money and threatening to close our paddling pools, libraries etc.	Throop & Holdenhurst	Muscliff & Strouden Park	BH8 0

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Executive Summary

BCP Council are consulting on draft proposals to create new parish, town and community councils across Bournemouth and Poole and to make some small changes to the existing town/parish arrangements in Christchurch.

Before any decisions are made, the council sought the views of local residents on setting up a new parish, town or community council in the following areas:

- Boscombe and Pokesdown
- Bournemouth Town
- Broadstone
- Poole Town
- Redhill and Northbourne
- Southbourne

The council also sought the views of local residents on existing parish and town council arrangements in the following areas:

- Burton and Winkton
- Christchurch Town
- Highcliffe and Walkford
- Hurn
- Throop and Holdenhurst

This report summarises the free-text responses to the question asking for any other comments about the Community Governance Review.

Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Results

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the Community Governance Review.

Responses have been coded into key themes to make them easier to interpret.

Residents living in a new parish, town or community council area

This section of the report relates to responses from residents living in an area proposed to have a new parish, town or community council.

Boscombe and Pokesdown residents

47 Boscombe and Pokesdown residents provided feedback.

While two respondents supported the proposals, noting the benefits of local governance in fostering community identity, the majority opposed the plans. Opposition centred on concerns that parish councils are unnecessary and are a waste of public money.

Respondents highlighted added bureaucracy, confusion over accountability, and inequity between areas. Respondents commented that BCP Council should focus on delivering services or return to the former three-council structure instead.

Respondents were also concerned about potential rises in council tax and a lack of detail over future costs. Respondents were critical of the consultation process, describing it as lacking detail and biased towards the proposals, with some doubting whether feedback would be considered.

Bournemouth Town residents

212 Bournemouth Town residents provided feedback.

The overwhelming majority of respondents opposed the draft recommendations, describing them as unnecessary, costly, and added levels of bureaucracy.

Administrative concerns were a common theme, with respondents warning of duplication, slower decision-making, confusion over responsibilities and fragmentation so soon after the creation of BCP Council.

There were fears of higher council tax and limited information around precept increases. The consultation process was also heavily criticised by respondents as rushed, poorly publicised, and biased, with some calling for a referendum to decide the issue.

Broadstone residents

168 Broadstone residents provided feedback.

Respondents who supported the proposals commented that a town council was long overdue, could provide a stronger voice on local issues, and enable residents to take greater control over decisions affecting the area.

Those opposed argued that an additional layer of governance was unnecessary and would be a waste of public money, with many calling for the plans to be scrapped entirely.

Concerns about administration and decision-making centred on the risk of creating extra bureaucracy, delays, and confusion over responsibilities. Some felt the

proposals would fragment communities rather than strengthen cohesion. Many pointed to the recent creation of BCP Council as a reason to avoid further governance layers, arguing that BCP should deliver local services directly. Some suggested reverting to the former Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth town councils. Respondents also felt that existing councillors are sufficient to represent the local community.

Many respondents opposed any increase in council tax or local precept. Respondents criticised the lack of detailed costings and the absence of a cap on future rises after the first year. Some preferred that funding be directed toward tangible improvements, such as repairing pavements, upgrading play areas, or maintaining green spaces.

The consultation process was also widely criticised. Many felt it was rushed, poorly publicised, and lacked accessible information for all residents. Some believed the material was biased towards the proposals, with little acknowledgement of potential downsides. There was scepticism over whether public feedback would influence the final decision, with several calling for a public vote or referendum before any change.

A small number of respondents commented on proposed boundaries and Broadstone's designation as a town, with some suggesting it should remain associated with Poole, while others noted disparities in arrangements between areas.

Poole Town residents

486 Poole Town residents provided feedback.

While respondents felt a Poole Town Council was long overdue, could restore local identity, and ensure local voices were heard, a number of respondents opposed the proposal, considering it to be an unnecessary waste of money.

Some respondents raised boundary concerns, questioning the size and scope of Poole or why some areas were excluded.

Administration and decision-making drew the most comments, with fears of duplication of roles, inefficiency, and delays. Many called for BCP Council to focus on delivering services or to revert to the previous three councils rather than add another governance layer.

Costs were also a major concern, with respondents commenting on the impact of rising precepts on household bills and a lack of clarity on cost details.

The consultation process was widely criticised as rushed and lacking sufficient detail. Respondents also felt that it had not been widely publicised and biased in favour of the proposals, with many demanding a referendum.

Redhill and Northbourne residents

18 Redhill and Northbourne residents provided feedback.

18 residents gave feedback. While 1 respondent expressed support, the majority opposed the proposal arguing that parish councils are unnecessary and a waste of public money.

Concerns about administration were also raised by respondents, who felt the proposals create an additional layer of administration and bureaucracy, were a backwards step considering the formation of BCP Council and could create inequalities between affluent and less affluent areas. Some respondents felt additional precepts would unfairly burden residents on lower incomes.

Southbourne residents

110 Southbourne residents provided feedback.

While support for the proposals was expressed by some respondents, who valued stronger local representation and influence, a number of respondents opposed the proposal. These respondents felt that they were a waste of money and risked harming rather than helping local areas.

Administrative concerns were also raised by respondents, who warned of added bureaucracy, duplication of effort and confusion regarding responsibilities. Respondents also felt that parish councils have limited powers and questioned the need for parish councils so soon after the BCP merger.

Respondents raised financial concerns, opposing higher precepts without clear costings.

A number of respondents criticised the consultation process as rushed, poorly explained, and biased, with many calling for a referendum before any change. Respondents felt that the consultation had been poorly publicised and inaccessible for those who are digitally excluded. Respondents also felt that the proposals were politically motivated and expressed doubt that residents views would be considered in any decisions.

Residents living in an existing parish and town council area

This section relates to responses from residents living in an existing parish and town council area.

Burton and Winkton residents

6 Burton and Winkton residents provided feedback.

Comments related to general support of the proposal, that it was a good idea and that it would result in greater resident engagement. However, some respondents commented that the proposal was a waste of money and not needed. Respondents commented that parish councils result in a duplication of roles, they have limited

authority and that BCP Council should ensure it is delivering services. Respondents also commented that the proposal offers limited information on the associated costs and the money would be better spent elsewhere.

Christchurch Town residents

34 Christchurch Town residents provided feedback.

While some respondents supported the arrangements, valuing stronger local influence, others opposed them, describing parish councils as unnecessary and advocating the removal of two-tier governance.

A number of respondents commented that Friars Cliff should be included in the Highcliffe and Walkford parish instead of Christchurch. Administrative concerns were also mentioned, with calls to return to the three-town council to simplify governance.

Respondents commented on a lack of clarity around precepts and fears of unnecessary financial burdens.

Respondents also commented on the consultation process, appreciating the chance to give feedback but hoping that the views of residents are listened to. However, respondents also felt the review was poorly advertised and lacked detail.

Highcliffe and Walkford residents

14 Highcliffe and Walkford residents provided feedback.

While respondents commented that the proposals enable local residents to have more say in services and their community, respondents also commented that they are an unnecessary waste of money.

Respondents commented that the proposals were a way for BCP Council to divert funds away from Christchurch to subsidise Bournemouth and Poole and that the council should revert to the three-town structure. Respondents also commented that parish councils have limited powers and that residents associations should be created.

Respondents commented that there is little information provided on the costs associated with the proposals and questioned whether the views of residents would actually be considered when making decisions regarding the proposals.

Hurn residents

No responses were received from residents living within the Hurn proposal area for this question.

Throop and Holdenhurst residents

One Throop and Holdenhurst resident provided feedback. This respondent commented that the council should stop wasting money of local residents and threatening to close local services.

Respondents living elsewhere

This section relates to responses from respondents who live outside of the BCP Council area or did not provide a valid postcode that could be assigned to a specific area.

Respondents who live outside BCP Council area

6 residents who live outside the BCP Council area provided feedback.

These respondents felt parish councils provide little benefit at additional cost.

Mixed views were received relating to the consultation process. While one respondent described it as clear and well run, others criticised poor targeting of flyers and called for greater inclusion of seldom-heard groups.

No valid postcode provided

17 respondents who did not provide a valid postcode provided feedback.

These respondents generally opposed the proposals, describing them as an unnecessary waste of money.

Respondents also raised administrative concerns, arguing that BCP Council had not been given time to deliver on its original remit and warning against adding unnecessary bureaucracy.

Respondents criticised the consultation process as poorly advertised, lacking detail, and designed without resident input.

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1 Methodology

Qualitative analysis and reporting was undertaken by Darmax Research Ltd.

Qualitative responses (write in text) to questions were exported into Excel and were thematically analysed. The most common themes are reported on in this report. Anonymised quotes from participants have been used to illustrate the themes identified.

Please note that while the purpose of qualitative data is to provide deeper insights into reasoning and impact rather than to quantify data, the numbers of respondents who mentioned the most prevalent themes are provided in this report to give an indication of the magnitude of response. However, given the nature of qualitative data, it should be noted that this does not provide an indication of significance in relation to the question asked.

In addition, where respondents have provided comments that relate to more than one theme, their feedback has been categorised into multiple categories. Where a response makes several different points, only the relevant part to the discussed theme is shown in the report.

2 Results: Any other comments about the Community Governance Review

Respondents were asked to provide any other comments about the Community Governance Review.

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2.1 Residents living in a new parish, town or community council area

This section of the report relates to responses from residents living in an area proposed to have a new parish, town or community council.

Theme	Boscombe and Pokesdown	Bournemouth Town	Broadstone	Poole Town	Redhill and Northbourne	Southbourne
Number of respondents	47	212	168	486	18	110
General support	2	4	16	36	1	11
General opposition	29	95	66	179	10	43
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	0	14	4	17	0	1
Administration/management of decisions	22	107	60	193	7	50
Cost of delivery	8	33	24	110	3	15
Consultation/decision process	7	56	69	172	2	41
Other	2	3	4	11	0	0

2.1.1 Boscombe and Pokesdown

47 Boscombe and Pokesdown residents provided feedback to this question.

2 respondents expressed general support for the proposals. These respondents commented that residents benefit from having **governance at a local level**, creating a sense of community.



“Governance works much better at a local level for residents. Councillors and residents alike feel much more involved. There is a feeling of belonging and caring in the community.”

However, 29 respondents voiced opposition to the proposals. Many argued that parish councils were **unnecessary and represent a waste of money**. Respondents also questioned whether a parish or town council would deliver meaningful improvements for the community.



“This provides no additional benefit at additional cost.”

“It’s nonsense and a waste of time and money; we do not need this.”

22 respondents raised concerns about how such a council would be administered. Respondents commented that **councillors in the current governance structure** should represent their local communities, with additional councillors increasing **bureaucracy** and confusion over accountability between BCP and new local councils. Respondents also feared that the proposals would lead to division and **inequity** between areas. Respondents commented that the existing council should **focus on delivering services** to residents or revert back to the previous three town council structure.



“There is no need for additional layers of bureaucracy. Get an efficient BCP with councillors who represent their community properly and the problem is solved.”

“I would rather the council just get on with their jobs, than spending time and money re-organising.”

“Bournemouth and Poole should not be divided into several smaller parishes but should retain their identities as two distinct towns. Accordingly, one Bournemouth and one Poole parish should be created, each within the boundaries of their former Borough Councils.”

“Parish councils are damaging for BCP council, enabling greater fragmentation, inequality between areas, corruption and prevention the integrated transformation that the area needs.”

8 respondents highlighted concerns about the financial implications. In particular, respondents were worried about **increases in council tax** or local precepts and the

lack of detailed information about how much residents would be expected to contribute.



“I would like to know how much money this review is costing council tax payers?”

“I’m barely affording the cost of living in BCP as it is, this will just add further unspecified costs that could be any amount with no set limit.”

7 respondents criticised the consultation process. They felt that **information was limited** and not accessible to all residents, with some questioning whether their feedback would genuinely be considered. Respondents felt that the consultation did not allow for them to select an option for not doing anything.



“Without a proper explanation of the nature of the community councils to be created, it is difficult to be sure of BCP Council's real intentions.”

“There is no point undertaking a consultation if you don't act on the views received. If the majority of people want parish councils I accept the democratic mandate even though I disagree - please do the same if it is the other way around otherwise you are just adding to the public view that the council just does what it wants regardless.”

“Question 19 is phrased in such a way as to make very clear that this consultation is a sham. You’re going to impose this on us whether we want it or not.”

2 respondents raised other issues, commenting on **local services that need improvements** generally. Areas of concern included parking improvements, maintenance of public spaces and parks, the provision of leisure and entertainment options and a varied dining experience. Respondents also commented on the need for improved waste collection, infrastructure and amenities.

2.1.2 Bournemouth Town

212 Bournemouth Town residents provided feedback to this question.

4 respondents expressed general support for the proposals. Respondents commented that **continuing historical town and parish councils makes sense** because they have a sense of community and a desire to continue influencing local decisions.



“We should have local representation to maintain standards.”

However, 95 respondents voiced opposition to the proposals. Many argued that creating an additional layer of governance was **unnecessary** and would represent a **waste of public money** that could be spent on more worthwhile services. Some felt the plans should be abandoned entirely.



“The time spent on it could, without doubt, have been far more beneficially used!”

“It’s unnecessary, costly and increases bureaucracy.”

14 respondents commented on **boundaries and designations**. Conflicting responses were received with regards to whether Bournemouth should be split into smaller parishes or remain a single town council covering the entire area. Others raised concerns about inconsistencies between areas in terms of size and number of councillors.



“If this goes ahead and I hope it doesn’t Bournemouth MUST be considered as a whole not slit up into nebulous different parcels, the idea of splitting up Bournemouth alone demonstrates why this is such a bad idea and is being pushed through by people with limited local knowledge.”

“I’d beg you not to divide Bournemouth up. A whole Bournemouth Town Council to mirror Christchurch and Poole makes some sense but the smaller divisions proposed here makes none.”

“I am concerned about the disparity in ratios of electors to councillors across the whole of the BCP area. Some parishes appear to have much larger numbers of electors per councillor and this does not seem equitable.”

107 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. The most common themes were the risk of adding **bureaucracy**, creating **confusion** over responsibilities, and slowing down decision-making. Several felt the proposals could **fragment communities** and reduce cohesion across the town. Others suggested that governance had only recently been reorganised with the **creation of BCP Council**, and introducing further structures so soon would add unnecessary complexity. Some respondents advocated a **return to the former Bournemouth**,

Poole and Christchurch councils instead. Respondents felt that resources would be better directed towards visible improvements to services, such as maintaining parks, pavements, and local infrastructure, rather than funding councillor allowances or administrative overheads. Other respondents commented that there are already councillors elected responsible for the local population.



“Ideally we should not be adding another layer of local government which is entirely unnecessary. It will damage community cohesion and create friction between areas and do nothing to regenerate the parts of BCP that need it.”

“If you feel that localities aren't being represented, you must call a vote of no confidence in BCP. We must disband BCP. We must hold elections immediately.”

“It is not long since the 3 councils merged to form BCP to administer the whole region. This was to streamline things and be more efficient and now, here you are trying to add bureaucratic layers and abrogate your responsibilities.”

33 respondents commented on costs. Concerns focused on the potential for **council tax or precept increases**, which residents could not afford and may force them to move. Respondents also commented on an **absence of detailed costings** or a clear limit on future rises within the draft recommendations.



“I don't think more parish councils should be established as council tax would increase.”

“The review attempts to give the impression that any additional costs would be minimal. It would be fairer to show the possible range of additional costs.”

“Does not give any indications of the startup and operational cost implications. How will it be funded. Is there a budget? If there is not a budget it is all a fantasy.”

56 respondents commented on the consultation process. Respondents felt the exercise was rushed and **poorly publicised**, with respondents commenting that they did not receive the information flyer that was meant to have been sent to all households. Respondents also felt poor publicising of the consultation was intentional so that it did not receive views that opposed the recommendations. Respondents also commented that the information material and survey were **inaccessible** for many residents, particularly those who do not have access to the internet. Some respondents described the survey as **biased towards the proposals** and argued that the process did not allow residents to simply reject the idea of a town council. Others questioned whether feedback would genuinely influence the final decision and suggested that any change should be subject to a **referendum**.



"I did not receive the flyer that was meant to have been sent out to every household in BCP. No one in my block of flats received the flyer and I know many other residents did not receive one either. I have concerns about the depth of consultation because of this, especially across the Bournemouth Town proposed area, and lack of responses to this consultation should not be taken as apathy or tacit acceptance of the proposals."

"There seems to be no compelling reason, in all the documents and videos, for creating another layer of government."

"I have the strong feeling that these councils will be forced upon us whatever the opposition is."

"There should be a referendum to ascertain whether this has support because I believe that it does not have majority public support."

"This survey has been manipulated to produce a positive outcome."

2.1.3 Broadstone

168 Broadstone residents provided feedback to this question.

16 respondents expressed general support for the proposals. These respondents felt that a town council was **long overdue**, could provide a stronger voice to residents about local issues and enable them to take more **control of local decisions**.



“A town council would give a voice to local issues and could provide local solutions.”

“Broadstone residents should be represented in an area in their own right. A town council in Broadstone would ensure people had their views and opinions heard more clearly and localised problems would be resolved ourselves.”

However, 66 respondents voiced overall opposition to the proposals. Many felt that an **additional layer of governance was unnecessary**, would be a waste of money and asked for the plans to be scrapped.



“This is a farce and should be stopped. It is a waste of money and resources.”

“It is not required. Stop wasting money.”

60 respondents raised concerns about how a Broadstone Town Council would be administered and how decisions would be managed. Many respondents felt that it would result in an **unnecessary layer of bureaucracy**, potentially leading to delays and confusion over responsibilities. The proposals would also **create divisions** between different areas rather than support cohesion. Respondents also commented that **BCP Council has only recently been formed** and should be responsible for providing services rather than passing accountability on to smaller councils. Respondents also commented that BCP Council should **revert to the previous three town councils** as it has not achieved what it intended.



“Let’s make local government more efficient by cutting bureaucracy rather than creating more of it.”

“This represents unnecessary layers of local government for zero benefits. The plans will add confusion over which council does which jobs - keep it simple and stick to BCP you have just created!”

“This seems like a cheap way to offload some of the work that BCP should be doing themselves.”

“Yes, dissolve BCP and let's go back to Poole, Christchurch and Bournemouth Town Councils. Let's face it BCP look like they're in deep financial trouble so get rid of the BCP.”

“It won’t help community cohesion by having multiple council layers in each area.”

Respondents also commented that there are **already councillors** who should be representing the local area, while if the proposals are implemented those who are elected should receive suitable support and should be apolitical.



“A waste of money. Get the ward councillors to do their jobs.”

“It is my understanding that these proposed parish councils are supposed to be apolitical, how can Broadstone be that when it is likely that both of our current representatives are Liberal Democrat and will likely follow their own agenda.”

24 respondents commented on the cost implications of the proposal. Concerns were raised about the potential **increase in the local precept** and the financial impact this would have on households. Respondents were also concerned that there was **not enough information provided about the costings** and the increases appeared to be uncapped after the first year. Some respondents felt that funds would be better used for tangible improvements, such as repairing pavements, upgrading play areas, or maintaining green spaces, rather than funding councillor allowances and administrative staff.



“This is just another way to take even more money from the residents of BCP, where are we expected to find this additional cost?”

“BCP charge a tax on all households to provide a service. I do not want to pay more. The first year may well be £5 but after that, there is no control, so we could be looking at £500.”

“Waste of time and money. Focus on things that will make a positive difference to our area.”

69 respondents commented on the consultation process itself. A number of respondents commented that they felt the **consultation was rushed** and documents contained little information about what the draft recommendations actually were. There had also been a **lack of communication** about the review taking place and what had been distributed was **inaccessible for many elderly residents and other vulnerable people**. In addition, the information that had been provided was **biased in favour of the proposals** with little mention of any potential negatives.



“It should be better advertised by appropriate leafleting. Majority of people did not receive information. Elderly people/vulnerable who do not use social media, IT or are not mobile are excluded.”

"I don't feel that sufficient facts have been shared or are even available to enable residents to make informed decisions that affect their future. Please delay any debate until such time."

"A rushed process of 6 weeks for such an important decision."

"There seems to be very little information on the cons of the recommendations. There must be some!"

A further recurring theme was **scepticism about whether resident feedback would influence the final decision**, while respondents also felt that the review was politically motivated. Any changes should not be implemented until a public **vote/referendum**.



"I hope you pay attention to the results of the consultation unlike in the past for things, and if overall people decide they do not want this, you actually abide by that and don't do what you want disregarding their decision."

"This is being forced on us locally by politically motivated local councillors who are biased on local Facebook groups. Local meetings have been made with pre agreed questions."

"As would be expected in any democratic decision making process, the decision to establish town councils should be based on a referendum."

4 respondents commented on the proposed boundaries and designation of Broadstone as a town council. Two of these respondents commented that Broadstone should **remain associated with Poole** as it historically has been, while the other two respondents commented on the disparity of town and parish councils between different areas.



"I still think that Broadstone is a part of Poole and should be under control of the new Poole council if one is established."

"The proposals for Poole & Bournemouth are disproportionate to the other areas."

4 respondents provided **other comments** outside the main themes, including the use of grit lorries, the pay structure of the local authority and public toilets.



"I would also vote to change the pay structure as I don't think anyone who works for the government should get paid more than the prime minister. but that's just another grumble."

"I also feel very annoyed that last autumn we saw lots of brand new grit lorries going to our depot, the grit lorries came round most nights unnecessarily on lots of occasions during the winter."

2.1.4 Poole Town

486 Poole Town residents provided feedback to this question.

36 respondents expressed support for the proposals. These respondents felt that the proposal was long overdue and highlighted that a town council would **restore Poole's identity**, give residents a stronger local voice, and enable more responsive decision-making. Supporters felt that a dedicated Poole Town Council could protect the character of the town and ensure that local priorities are not overlooked within the larger BCP Council structure.



"I hope that the proposals succeed."

"BCP is huge so it's good for people to be involved in their local area."

"There are sound reasons why the area should be a parish, but a particular benefit would be the creation of a Poole Town Council. The town has a long history, strong traditions, a strong identity, and was badly served by the creation of BCP Council without a Town Council option being offered."

In contrast, 179 respondents expressed opposition. Respondents commented that the proposals were **unnecessary** and represented a **waste of money**, while others believed the plan should be scrapped altogether. Some respondents questioned why money was being spent on these when the council has limited funds.



"I am against a town council. The review should be rejected."

"All proposals unnecessary. Just do your job please."

"The council does not have any money as it is, please stop wasting more money on things like this."

17 respondents raised comments about **boundaries and allocation**. Some questioned whether Poole was too large and should be divided into smaller parish councils. Respondents questioned why some areas had not been allocated parish status when other areas had.



"Why is Broadstone treated as a separate issue and not Creekmoor?"

"I am too far away from Poole town to feel that it best describes my location. In this document it is Poole town but that is not what I feel."

193 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. The most common view was that an additional council would **duplicate roles** already performed by BCP, leading to inefficiency and delays. Respondents questioned the authority that town and parish councils would actually have. Respondents feared that the proposals would fracture governance arrangements and **create division** rather than cohesion. Many highlighted that **BCP Council was only recently created** and

should be allowed to prove itself before adding further governance layers. Others argued that if structural change was necessary, the area should **revert to the previous three councils** rather than introducing parish-level councils. Respondents felt that the change in structures would lead to **confusion** regarding responsibilities and lead to BCP Council passing **accountability** to parish councils. Some respondents felt that funds would be better used to address tangible service issues, such as street cleaning, road repairs, or maintaining public spaces.



“It appears to be an exercise to create more politicians and bureaucracy.”

“Let us complete the transformation agenda and get BCP working properly for the whole conurbation.”

“Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch were pushed into joining forces, which in my opinion was not a good move. Another change such as this one in my opinion is not wanted - if anything, it would be better to go back to how it was with 3 separate councils, when each area was taking care of the specific needs of each area.”

“Multi layered governance usually leads to confusion over who runs what and increases costs.”

“It is not a great idea, dilutes accountability.”

“I would like BCP to get on with running the council that is currently in existence, trying to improve its services so that they are at least fit for purpose.”

110 respondents commented on costs. They were particularly concerned about the impact of precepts on **household bills** at a time when many residents were already struggling with the cost of living. Respondents noted the **lack of clarity** around costings and criticised the absence of a cap on future increases. Respondents also commented that the proposals were a way for the council to avoid limits on council tax increases.



“I do not agree with an extra bill on top of the council tax we have had no consultation or letters regarding this matter. The cost of living is high enough.”

“I feel strongly that we should have more guidance on how much this is all going to cost as residents before it is agreed.”

“No costs of these proposals are admitted and it’s a way of increasing costs to residents and avoiding Government restrictions on council tax.”

172 respondents criticised the **consultation process**. They felt that it was rushed, lacked transparency, and had not been adequately publicised. Several respondents described the information provided as being limited and biased towards the proposals and expressed doubts that resident feedback would influence the

outcome. Others argued that changes of this scale should only be introduced following a referendum rather than a consultation exercise. Respondents also questioned whether the proposals were politically motivated to suit individual agendas.



“As already stated from the review there is no list of services to be transferred, no costings and no business case for such a change.”

“Subsequent questions seem to assume I agree with this strategy - I don't!”

“Far too complicated and designed to put people off from getting involved.”

“The residents should have the ability to vote on this and BCP should not have an open mandate to steamroller whatever they want through the system.”

“We all know that BCP will take no notice of this consultation and just do whatever they want. Roll on the next election when we can get rid of this terrible council.”

“Jobs for the boys and of course girls. There are enough ineffective snouts in the trough without adding more.”

11 respondents provided **other feedback** not directly related to the main themes, including calls for Poole Civic Centre to be retained.



“Save Poole civic centre. We need it. If it's sold, we'll need to build another one.”

2.1.5 Redhill and Northbourne

18 Redhill and Northbourne residents provided feedback to this question.

While 1 respondent commented that they **hope the proposals are implemented**, 10 respondents expressed general opposition. Respondents commented that the proposed changes are a **waste of money** and parish councils are unnecessary.



"I hope that it comes to fruition."

"Seems to me like a big waste of council tax payers' money."

7 respondents commented on the administration and management of the proposals. Respondents commented that parish councils create an additional layer of **administration and bureaucracy**. The proposals seem to be a **backwards step** from the formation of BCP Council, who should take responsibility for the delivery of quality services across the conurbation. Respondents were also concerned that proposals would lead to **inequity of services**, with more affluent areas able to afford higher increases in precepts, enabling them to provide more and better services.



"The whole bureaucracy needs slimming down, productivity needs improving."

"The creation of the Poole and Bournemouth town parishes seems to be a step back to the independent councils prior to BCP being created."

"They risk inequality of local services. Some parts of Bournemouth are more affluent than others. If those parts had their own parish council, they would be able to raise more council tax to fund local services, while other parts, such as Boscombe, wouldn't be able to raise the same funds."

3 respondents commented on the **financial burden** the proposals would place on local residents, impacting those on lower incomes the most.



"They increase the cost of living. Although parish councils don't have to raise a precept, they can't do much without one. The larger the precept, the larger your council tax bill. And council tax is a regressive tax - it hits lower-income people harder."

2 respondents commented on the **consultation process**. These respondents commented that local residents had not been involved in deciding whether the review should take place, while the proposals were created for the benefit of a few.



"To my knowledge, residents of BCP were not consulted as to whether this review should have been undertaken at all."

"It's a waste of money to make a few self-important people feel more important."

2.1.6 Southbourne

110 Southbourne residents provided feedback to this question.

11 respondents expressed support for the proposals, commenting that more **representation in local communities**, allowing residents to have a say in how things are delivered in their area and should be implemented.



"I do feel that Boscombe has a unique identity and would benefit enormously from having more input from residents via a Parish Council."

"More representation is good thing for the community. The plans should go ahead."

However, 43 respondents expressed opposition, arguing that the proposed governance structures would be a waste of money and called for the **proposals to be scrapped**. They also felt that the changes could do more harm than good to local areas.



"A waste of money which could have been used to actually improve services."

"I implore the council not to go ahead with this plan."

50 respondents raised concerns about administration and decision-making. A number of respondents commented that the proposals risk **added bureaucracy**, **duplication** of effort, and **confusion regarding responsibilities**. Parish councils have **limited power** and many respondents also questioned why additional parish and town councils were being proposed so soon after the **recent formation of BCP Council**. The priority for BCP Council should be to deliver services to local residents they were elected to do rather than develop unnecessary proposals. If they are unable to do this BCP Council should revert to the previous three town councils. Respondents also commented that **no more councillors** were required and those that were in place should focus on serving local residents.



"It is not appropriate to create another level of bureaucracy within local government particularly as the proposed parish councils will have very limited powers, if any."

"The proposal risks duplication and confusion of functions and extra costs without additional benefits."

"Why are you doing this so soon after the deeply unpopular decision to amalgamate the three councils and?"

"Hopefully the results of this survey will be strongly against the proposed changes and that council effort & money can get back to the key issues and stop being wasted (time & money) on this proposal."

“Is this not a task that our local MP is already achieving?”

1 respondent commented that **Tuckton** should have its own council representation.



“I would like Tuckton to have its own council representation so locals can build a community identity and improve the look and feel of the area. I would like direct funding for Tuckton projects that impact locals and visitors and draw extra footfall to the area while retaining a small town/village feel.”

15 respondents highlighted **cost concerns**. They argued that increases in council tax or precepts would place an unfair burden on households and that council tax was high enough already. Respondents also commented that a detailed cost analysis had not been provided in the draft proposals.



“Council tax is high enough already without adding unnecessary vanity projects which no one has voted for.”

“Make the case for change by providing a proper cost benefit analysis. These are the benefit and these are the costs. So people can judge whether the benefits are worth it.”

41 respondents criticised the consultation process. A number of respondents felt that the consultation was **rushed, poorly explained, and inadequately publicised**. Several felt the material was biased towards supporting the proposals and expressed scepticism that resident views would influence the final outcome. Respondents also felt that information and the **opportunity to take part was inaccessible** to those who are digitally excluded. Respondents felt that the proposals were **politically motivated**, while others felt that the changes should be voted for democratically through a referendum.



“I think the timescale for getting information out to residents is much too short.”

“You need to ensure information is equal and complete on both hard copy and online. It is also not widely known that Parish council voting is underway. I’d recommend more marketing and awareness to ensure the community are aware.”

“Will you take full notice of the results of the opinions given in this questionnaire?”

“I honestly thought the Liberal Democrats sought to lead for the good of all residents. This just looks like political opportunism.”

“If the proposal is to proceed with parish councils then this should be put to a referendum of residents and not based on a consultation most people won’t bother to fill in.”

2.2 Residents living in an existing parish and town council area

This section relates to responses from residents living in an existing parish and town council area.

Theme	Burton and Winkton	Christchurch Town	Highcliffe and Walkford	Hurn	Throop and Holdenhurst
Number of respondents	6	34	14	0	1
General support	2	5	3	0	0
General opposition	3	7	2	0	1
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	1	6	0	0	0
Administration/management of decisions	3	12	6	0	0
Cost of delivery	3	9	2	0	0
Consultation/decision process	1	11	4	0	0
Other	1	0	0	0	1

2.2.1 Burton and Winkton

6 Burton and Winkton residents provided feedback to this question.

2 respondents commented about their **general support** of the proposals, that they are a good idea and would result in greater resident engagement. 3 respondents commented that the proposals were a **waste of money** and **not needed**.



"I think that the proposals are a good idea, as communities will be better represented in smaller units of the BCP area. Residents may well feel more engaged if they have a say in more local matters and BCP will have a greater understanding of their residents wishes."

"A lot of things are done in the name of progress but not always for the better. Some things are better left."

3 respondents commented that parish councils result in a **duplication of roles**, they have **limited authority** and that **BCP Council should do its job** in terms of delivering services. 3 respondents commented that the proposals offer **limited information** on the associated costs and the **money would be better spent elsewhere**. 1 respondent commented that the changes would **benefit those in power**, while one respondent suggested that the conurbation should collaborate with Dorset Council, with town and parish councils sitting beneath a **single county-level authority**. This approach would streamline services, reduce duplication of roles and preserve local representation and decision-making. 1 respondent commented that there should be **restrictions on housing developments** in the local area.



"Given the limited number of statutory functions of parish and town councils what is the justification for the gross variation in precepts?"

"Most things that are changed are usually for the council's benefit i.e. money and not for the benefit of the community."

"It would be far more sensible to operate under a single, county-level authority that covers the entire geographic area, including Bournemouth, Christchurch, Poole and the rest of Dorset. This would streamline operations, eliminate duplicated executive structures, reduce administrative overheads, and enable a more strategic and unified approach to service delivery. Local representation could still be preserved - and arguably strengthened - by empowering a network of smaller town and parish councils beneath the single county-level authority."

"Restricting huge development of rural areas, stopping building on every spot of green space, giving people fresh air and open spaces."

2.2.2 Christchurch Town

34 Christchurch Town residents provided feedback to this question.

5 respondents expressed general support for the proposals. They felt that the arrangements enable Christchurch residents to **influence local decisions** more directly.



“Giving the community the option to influence topics in their immediate area is positive.”

7 respondents expressed general opposition, commenting that **parish councils are unnecessary** and that two-tier governance should be abolished.



“I hope the review shows that this is a poor use of budget for an unrequired 2 tier system.”

5 respondents commented on boundaries and parish/town allocation. These respondents felt that **Friars Cliff should be included within the Highcliffe and Walkford** parish rather than be part of Christchurch Town. This was because respondents feel more affinity and similarities to Highcliffe.



“Please take seriously the wishes of Friars Cliff residents to join Highcliffe and Walkford. Highcliffe, Walkford & Friars Cliff Parish is perfect.”

12 respondents raised concerns about the administration and management of decision-making. Respondents commented that it is important for Christchurch, along with Bournemouth and Poole, have responsibility for what happens in their local area. This could be achieved by returning to the **three town council approach** as previous to the formation of BCP Council. The two-tier level of governance is complicated and results in **duplication** of responsibilities. Respondents also commented that **local services should be improved generally**.



“It’s important that the local areas of the town; Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole maintain as much control as possible of local services, solutions and plans.”

“We understand there is insufficient funding - but this will not solve problems it will create more. This is not a solution - do not split BCP Council roles and responsibilities further!”

“Make the local services more efficient. Have performance related bonuses for staff.”

9 respondents highlighted the cost of delivery as a concern. They felt that residents would face an **unnecessary financial burden**, with **little clarity** on how precepts would be set or controlled.



“Realistic detailed costings needed to show expense of the proposals, and also analysis of the financial return on investment from existing Town/Parish Councils.”

“Many people are concerned that increases in precepts or the creation of such charges at a time of economic trouble is counterproductive.”

11 respondents commented on the consultation process. Respondents appreciated the opportunity to provide their views, while hopeful that the council **listen to residents** when making decisions and that any changes should be based on the majority of approval. However, some respondents commented that the review had **not been widely advertised** and **lacked detail**.



“Really pleased to have been asked to submit an opinion on my area and being able to comment and do hope you listen.”

“All proposals and plans, should have majority taxpayer approval.”

“I had not heard of this until today and feel that it needs to be made more widely known to the local communities. We locals place great value on where we live and do want to be included.”

2.2.3 Highcliffe and Walkford

14 Highcliffe and Walkford residents provided feedback to this question.

3 respondents commented about their **general support** of the proposals; they enable local residents to have more say in services and their community and all money raised by parish councils is spent in the local community. However, 2 respondents commented that they are an **unnecessary waste of money**.



“They can be a great boost to communities: improving local services, supporting local projects and assets, and offering direct local representation.”

6 respondents commented on the **administration and management aspects** of the proposed councils. Respondents commented that the proposals were a way for BCP Council to divert funds away from Christchurch to subsidise Bournemouth and Poole and that the council should revert to the three-town structure prior to the formation of BCP Council. Respondents also commented that parish councils have limited powers and that residents associations should be created to hold them to account.



“Let’s go back to 3 boroughs under Dorset please?”

“This is just another example of BCP taking money from Christchurch to subsidise Bournemouth and Poole. The community governance review specifically mentions Bournemouth and Poole with Christchurch as an afterthought shown as an asterisk on the flyer.”

“Parish councils should be removed from BCP to save costs for the limited functions available and do not necessarily reflect the political makeup of the administration thus creating tensions and non-alignment of priorities in the exercise of even those limited functions.”

“Much depends on how able the parish councillors are and how well they are supported. BCP should encourage the formation of residents associations in each area to hold them to account.”

2 respondents commented that there is **little information provided** on the costs associated with the proposals. 4 respondents commented on the **consultation process**, with respondents questioning whether the views of residents would actually be considered when making decisions regarding the proposals.



“I have no idea if there is a cost associated with any of the recommendations. As there are no proposed changes from Highcliffe & Walkford, it would be good to understand if those places with no changes will incur additional costs for areas that do have proposed changes.”

“Will any notice be taken of any responses or have decisions already been made?”

2.2.4 Hurn

No responses were received from residents living within the Hurn proposal area for this question.

2.2.5 Throop and Holdenhurst

1 Throop and Holdenhurst resident provided feedback to this question.

This respondent commented that the council should **stop wasting the money** of local residents and **threatening to close local services**.



“Please stop wasting our money and threatening to close our paddling pools, libraries etc.”



2.3 Respondents living elsewhere

This section relates to responses from respondents who live outside of the BCP Council area or did not provide a valid postcode that could be assigned to a specific area.

Theme	Live outside BCP Council area	No valid postcode
Number of respondents	6	17
General support	0	0
General opposition	2	6
Boundaries and parish/town allocation	0	0
Administration/management of decisions	1	5
Cost of delivery	1	2
Consultation/decision process	3	10
Other	1	0



2.3.1 Live outside BCP Council area

6 residents who live outside the BCP Council area provided feedback to this question. These respondents live in Lytchett Matravers and Upton, Corfe Mullen, and West Purbeck.

2 respondents described the proposals as an **extra cost for little benefit** and added an unnecessary level of bureaucracy. 1 respondent commented that if an additional layer of tax was implemented then **BCP Council should receive less money**.



“Extra cost for little value and no reason to add a whole new and pointless level of bureaucracy.”

“If BCP put another layer of tax into play then BCP should receive less money.”

3 respondents commented on the consultation process. 1 of these respondents commented on **Upton residents** receiving a flyer relating to the consultation and felt that it was an attempt by BCP Council to incorporate the area into the conurbation. One respondent felt that the consultation was clear and **praised council officers and councillors**, while the other respondent commented that it was important to **seek the views of vulnerable and seldom heard residents**. 1 respondent raised other comments outside the main themes, including **frustration with broader council decision-making**.



“Why have you included Upton in your delivering of the flyer? You’ve tried to grab Upton in the past, so keep your hands off of Upton & Lytchett Minster.”

“Please ensure you seek representation from young people and children as well as the other marginalised areas within Poole. Parents and carers of SEND - schools - local charities and the services - plus a variety of ethnicities and cultural backgrounds.”

I think it has been excellently laid out and is very clear. Well done BCP Council officers and councillors!

*“Bournemouth is a **** hole, the council don’t care and do nothing neither do the police.”*

2.3.2 No valid postcode

17 respondents who did not provide a valid postcode provided feedback to this question.

6 respondents opposed the proposals, considering them a **waste of council funds** and unnecessary.



“An excessive amount seems to be being committed to consultations which could be better spent on improving the lot of those local residents in real need.”

5 respondents highlighted administrative concerns. Respondents felt that **BCP Council has not been allowed sufficient time** to implement changes it was set up to deliver. Respondents also felt it was an added layer of **bureaucracy** and appear as though they were a means for BCP Council to **offload responsibilities**. One respondents commented that parish and town councillors **should not be affiliated to a political party** to ensure impartiality.



“The administration of the three councils into BCP was promoted on the premiss of a more efficient, effective service for all of us. It would appear they would now wish to offload some responsibilities to an unelected body who it appears will not be accountable to us the electorate.”

“The parish councillors shall have no political affection (as the case in existing parish).”

2 respondents raised concerns about potential **increases in council tax** and that not enough detail on the costs had been provided.



“This whole thing is wrong! I do not agree there should be a second council tax just for the sake of the new parish and town councils. There have been no costings whatsoever as to how much this will cost so how can anyone agree when no information given on exactly.”

10 respondents were critical of the consultation process, describing it as **poorly advertised, lacking detail** and proposals had been designed without the input of local residents.



“It has been poorly administered. We never received a flyer through the door, no did several friends locally.”

“Whilst I think it important to have these reviews, this survey and all the information was not really publicised... In many ways the review is presenting a single proposal so strictly speaking of a review of the options. It is not made clear that if only a few areas were adopted then the charters would remain and a 3-tier system would be put in place.”

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02/12/24 16:00	Dear Cllr Earl and Graham, Please find attached a response by Tom Hayes MP to the ongoing Community Governance Review. He hopes this format will be an acceptable way to submit his views. Tom looks forward to seeing you both on Friday. Best wishes, [REDACTED] Senior Parliamentary Assistant Office of Tom Hayes Labour Member of Parliament for Bournemouth East House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA Email: tom.hayes.mp@parliament.uk <mailto:tom.hayes.mp@parliament.uk> Website: www.tomhayes.org.uk <http://www.tomhayes.org.uk/> Facebook: tomhayes4BE <https://www.facebook.com/tomhayes4BE>	Appendix 1		Object	Yes	
06/04/25 08:59	Dear Team Re: Community Governance Review Consultation Context: The online consultation form is rather involved hence the email. If you could provide an executive summary for people to comment on that would be more helpful. As would an outline of the key benefits of the changes. Comments: As a local Southbourne resident, I'm opposed to Parish changes and any further increases in Council Tax. On scanning the Review (p7 of 56 attached) - Libraries and education are a priority over electric charging points. Perhaps I'm overlooking but if substantiation of data decision-making could be provided as I'm unclear of the demand for electric charging points and community centres. Kindest regards [REDACTED]	-	BH6 4AJ	Object	Yes	

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08/04/25 18:54	Dear Community Governance Review Team, I am writing in response to the Community Governance Review 2025 consultation to express my strong opposition to the establishment of new parish and town councils within the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole area. After careful consideration of the proposals outlined in the draft recommendations, I believe that creating additional tiers of local government is unnecessary, duplicative, and would place an unjustified financial burden on residents for the following reasons: 1. **Unnecessary Additional Layer of Governance** : The existing BCP Council structure already provides governance and services across our area. Adding another layer of administration creates unnecessary complexity in local decision-making and service delivery. 2. **Financial Burden on Residents** : The proposed precepts would add further costs to residents' council tax bills during a time when many households are already facing financial pressures. The average Band D additional charge of £42.96 per year may seem modest, but this comes on top of already significant council tax payments for services that should be delivered through the existing structure. 3. **Limited Added Value** : Many of the functions that would be performed by the parish councils are discretionary rather than statutory. The document fails to demonstrate compelling evidence that these proposed councils would deliver services that cannot be provided more efficiently through the existing local government structure.	-	Not supplied	Object	Yes																																																																																																																			

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	4. **Risk of Double Taxation**: The document acknowledges the risk of "double taxation" for residents in newly parished areas who might continue paying the Charter Trustee precept alongside a new parish precept. This seems particularly unfair. 5. **Administrative Inefficiency**: Creating multiple new councils across the BCP area would result in additional administrative costs, elections, and bureaucracy that could be better directed toward actual service delivery. The civic and ceremonial functions currently delivered by the Charter Trustees at minimal cost (£2.14-£2.27 per year for Band D) are adequate for preserving local heritage and identity. If there are specific local issues or service needs within communities, these could be addressed through improved neighborhood engagement by the existing BCP Council rather than establishing entirely new governance structures. I urge the Task and Finish Group to reconsider these proposals and instead focus on strengthening community engagement through the existing council structure without imposing additional taxation on residents. Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this consultation process. Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]					
601 09/04/25 14:54	It is hugely regrettable that the establishment of BCP Council with all the benefits it could have derived from the reorganisation of Dorset Councils in 2019 has clearly failed to deliver the opportunities so desperately needed following and through the austerity period that highlighted the clear need for amalgamation and co-ordination of the three councils . Quite clearly the direction of councillors elected to deliver the dynamic vision illustrated by the opportunities at hand for the 10th largest Council in the UK has been contaminated by an inability to understand and take advantage of the potential benefits from a 21st century organisation. One has to conclude that instead of working to deliver a Council designed for a 21st century vision, elected Councillors are determined to maintain and indeed bolster the parochial and superfluous structure so described in your cgr document. The cost to the ordinary public of this extravagance as shown in Christchurch is not only excessive but totally irrelevant to the objectives that should be set and achievements made by Local Government Reorganisation. As an individual rate-payer I strongly object to introducing or supporting extra layers of management controls which are designed to obstruct governance derided from proper and responsible Council management. That those Councillors elected in 2019 whose objectives were to prevent amalgamation and who are clearly the authors of this direction should be made accountable for the potential costs to residents.It is their failure that has brought about this retrograde direction. I clearly object to the introduction of the illustrated and totally unnecessary program [REDACTED]	-	BH23 3NP	Object	Yes	
09/04/25 17:59	Sirs, I am very much opposed to the creation of yet another tier of local government: I see no need for more councillors and more administrative/support staff. I am deeply unimpressed by the trivial nature of responsibilities that might be delegated to the new councils. This current proposal reminds me of the campaign for local police commissioners; a completely pointless and counter-productive exercise. The former three boroughs pushed for a unitary body and now they should get on with doing the job. I hope my feedback proves useful. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH13 6EJ	Object	Yes	
10/04/25 11:40	Dear Sir / Madam	-	BH2 6PQ	Object	Yes	

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	I am AGAINST proposals for more town councils and more bureaucracy and in favour of measures to save money and REDUCE council tax for BCP residents. The council continues to raise council tax (including the social precept) to 5%: which is maximum allowed to avoid a referendum. Inflation has been well below 5%. Were a referendum be called it is likely the council will lose as most residents are fed up with council tax automatic rises to 5% which is above inflation. It is also likely the current coalition administering BCP would lose their majority if they continue with policies like this. Yours faithfully [REDACTED]					
11/04/25 17:40	We do not want a parish council in southbourne. It's a complete waste of time, money and resources. It's just another ploy to get more money from the taxpayers. No one is interested in this. No one wants it. No one wants to pay even more council tax just to fund the councils wages. We already get nothing in return for the extortionate amount of council tax we pay so why should we pay more? This whole consultation is costing a fortune to start with. Get real, stop wasting money and start to fix things that really need addressing.	-	Not supplied	Object	Yes	
11/04/25 17:44	I would like to see a new parish council set up specifically for Westbourne (including West Cliff) to focus solely on our local priorities and projects. I believe that such a council would play an important part at a local community level by serving as a key representative voice for us all. Westbourne has a unique identity and charm all of its own which we wish to maintain. It's a thriving, bustling and diverse community with an important role to play for the local economy and tourist industry. For these reasons I believe that a separate Parish Council should be set up for this area. [REDACTED]	-	BH4 8BE	Support		Westbourne
11/04/25 20:09	I am totally against the creation of new Town and Parish councils in BPC. There are enough layers of government already and we don't need the extra expense. Councillors are elected to keep in touch with local people - if they do their jobs properly that's enough. [REDACTED]	-	BH2 6PR	Object	Yes	
13/04/25 16:12	The whole proposal seems like a colossal waste of money. Even doing these provisional plans is wasted money. I would prefer if the whole scheme was scrapped. [REDACTED]	-	BH6 5JB	Object	Yes	
17/04/25 16:32	Dear Sirs, In response to the request for consultation on the above topic, I would say that while I support the idea of increasing local participation in democracy, I do not believe that the creation of new Parish/Town/Community Councils is the way to do it. This is for several reasons: 1. I don't agree that the proposed arrangements will improve local democracy. Turnout for elections of any kind is already dismally low, and telling people there's yet another box to cross is to my mind more likely to put them off voting than improve matters. If the aim is to make local government more representative and accountable to the people, surely we should work on improving participation in the elections we have first? Once turnout is up and people can see the point of voting again, then might be a good time to seek volunteers for a lower level of council, but at the moment I can't imagine there will be many takers. 2. This brings me to another democratic concern. Presumably these community councils will be relying on volunteers who are democratically engaged, have the time to spare to do a good job, and don't already serve on BCP Council. I'm not sure how many people there are who fit those criteria, especially among the working age population, and we could end up with a very narrow, unrepresentative demographic on these councils. Has any thought been given as to how this could be avoided? Additionally, experience tells me that people who do volunteer for this kind of thing tend to have very strong views, which are not necessarily	-	BH9 1QL	Object	Yes	

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	the same as their neighbours'. How could we be sure that the proposals approved by community councils do have broad support in the local area? 3. Where would the money for this come from? Even assuming community councillors don't receive a wage, your consultation document makes clear that there will be a precept to cover the running of each one. Logically, that can only come from increasing Council Tax even further (which would be very unpopular at present), or reducing funding to other services (which we are repeatedly told already run on a shoestring). Without funding I don't see how setting up community councils is possible. Also, who does the jobs that community councils would take on now? If it's BCP I don't see how a more local body would automatically do them better. If they're discretionary and can't be funded, how does the Council plan to magic up the money in future? On a related note, it might be worth a modest increase in Council Tax to see concrete improvements in one's local area, but again, how would these be funded? Unless Council Tax rises again, I can't see how Bournemouth Town Council would have any more money to fix the playground opposite Bishop of Winchester Academy than BCP Council does. Regardless of who commissions the work, it won't be done unless the contractors are paid. If anything there would be less money in the kitty, not more; and I'm not clear on how any projects would be prioritised. At the moment as a single council BCP can prioritise whatever needs doing the most, but under a multi-council system the decision might come down to which community councillors can make the best pitches for funding, or whose turn it is next for a project, rather than what's most beneficial to the community. 4. The setup of councils proposed in the consultation document is confusing. In the first place, why are we referring to 'Parish Councils' in the 21st century? Traditionally a parish council was connected to the local church. Not only does this not appear to be the case here, but Britain is only nominally a Christian country these days. To use such obviously Christian terminology might well offend a large proportion of the population: I'm thinking especially of the number of parents that turn up at my children's school gates wearing hijabs. I prefer the term 'community council', but how does this differ from a town council, and why is it proposed to have both sorts in the same area? In particular, why is Boscombe proposed to have a town council separate from Bournemouth town council? I can understand it if a town centre is involved, but that's not the case for Boscombe. I revert to my first point: if people are not clear what they're voting for, they're not likely to vote. Finally, I have an issue specific to my own area. I identify as living in Charminster, which doesn't even have its name on the proposed community council map. I don't mind being subsumed into Queen's Park, with which I also feel a local connection, but I don't feel any community affinity with the likes of Littledown or Westbourne. They're lovely areas, but they're not 'my' area. Yet the proposal is for a single town council to cover all those places and more, while Boscombe/Pokesdown, Southbourne and Redhill/Northbourne get their own community councils. I understand why those areas would be grouped together individually, but I think it's legitimate to ask: why do those areas get separate councils and not mine? My view is that if we're going to have community councils, there should either be a single Bournemouth Town Council including the areas proposed to be split off (in the manner put forward for Poole), or a larger set of community councils that are genuinely locally based. Many thanks for taking the time to read my response. I hope it's useful in ascertaining public opinion. Regards, [REDACTED]					
24/04/25 13:17	I have been looking at the details in the community governance review. My comment applies to the whole principle of both voter:councillor ratios and retaining sub-unitary councils. I believe governance should be done at unitary level with greater consultation on ward councillors for items that will affect their particular area. Having areas where the voter:councillor ratios and is lower than 100:1 is simply insulting. This ratio needs to be much higher, and more equal across the BCP area.	-	BH1 4RT	Object	Yes	

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	If a place of less than half a million people cannot be governed effectively by the size of council establishment in this area, then the people in charge are not fit for purpose. Which given the history of corruption, incompetence and self-serving that parts of this urban area are known for, I feel may be most of the problem. Regards, [REDACTED]					
28/04/25 13:27	Dear Sir or Madam, Re consulting on plans to introduce new, large Town and parish councils in addition to the current council. These plans will add confusion over which council does which job. BCP should improve their own services rather than creating new councils to do their job for them. No more bureaucracy and no more cost. [REDACTED]	-	BH10 6AT	Object	Yes	
30/04/25 12:45	Hello. I understand the idea of parish and town councils. I live in Poole and we used to have that here until the ludicrous decision to combine the three councils into one. Ever since we have been poorer as a consequence of this! Why would you as the council of BCP be doing this? It's certainly not for our benefit. I would be clear to say I don't want this if the current BCP still exists. On the other hand if BCP and all of its highly overpaid and under achieving members dissolved, then I would be voting for local council members and a vote for common sense. Regards [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
30/04/25 17:22	have no interest in you forming a local council for Poole useless you disband BCP which was forced upon us and has proved a millstone round the neck of Poole people so no we don't want it	-		Object		Poole Town
03/05/25 08:31	I have considered the proposals and can see very little benefit, if any for myself and my family. I do not believe that extra layers of management are beneficial, especially so, with the Cost of Living Crisis and the current high rates of Council Tax payable. You need to reduce management levels as the Private Sector is currently doing to make the council more efficient and better value for money. I believe the simpler the system the better, so please keep it simple. We are all facing huge increases to our essential Utilities, such as Electric, Gas and Water and thus any more increase to our already expensive Council Tax is not welcome. We have just had a 5% increase and my pension only increased by 1.7% and with no other way to increase my income, I will struggle with any increases especially as these will be ongoing year on year- Not all Pensions live in Sandbanks, with huge incomes! I cannot see how these changes will be of benefit, and may well indeed, confuse the average individual and do nothing to improve community cohesion, whatever that means precisely- too much jargon-keep it simple and say precisely in language that all can understand. Regards	-	BH14 0DP	Object	Yes	
03/05/25 13:12	I worked for the Council as a civil engineer for 32 years full-time and 12 years part-time and I experienced local government reorganisation in 1974 and 1997. Why is it that councillors feel the need to reorganise every so many years when what they have is working well? eg 1974 and 1997. The 1997 reorganisation was effectively a return to the pre-1974 situation in Dorset. Setting up the BCP arrangement in Dorset has worked well in my opinion. We know who to contact if we have a problem and new town and parish councils will not help us as ratepayers when we have a problem to sort out and need to contact someone. I have been able to speak to a Council officer and my local councillor	-	BH8 8NP	Object	Yes	

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	on several occasions in recent years and I am satisfied with the level of service BCP currently provides. Time would be better spent on improving existing services than on this unnecessary reorganisation. Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]					
06/05/25 07:27	Dear Sir/Madam, I would like to make my concerns known over the new community Governance review consultation. I find that this proposal will only create more work, more councillors & at a significant cost to the residents of the current BCP no matter how you divide up the area. At a time where everyone is struggling financially, I feel that this will be the straw that breaks the camels back! Please take note that I vehemently oppose this proposal on the basis of funding & cost to the residents, but not only that, I feel that you are demoralising the people of BCP by not providing a stable council & not taking in to consideration what we want. This should be a public vote! Thank you for your time. [REDACTED]	-	BH21 3BA	Object	Yes	
06/05/25 08:02	I'm against the creation of a new council and any extra rip off. Kind regards, [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
06/05/25 08:24	Dear Sirs Myself and husband [REDACTED] Wish to express our strong opposition to the proposal of a Town Council for Southbourne. We have tried to use the link on the BCP consultation but have been unable to do so and are therefore emailing instead. We have previous experience of the Town Council model having previously lived in an area with a Town Council for over 10 years. We found it bureaucratic, ineffective and very poor value for money and would be very unhappy to have this imposed at Southbourne. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH6 4AT	Object		Southbourne
06/05/25 11:49	Following the delivery of a leaflet concerning the proposal to set up town and parish councils in the BCP area I would like to give my opinion on the matter. As a previous member of a Dorset Town Council am aware of the importance of their existence as a means of spreading the democratic process to smaller communities that find it difficult to relate to the larger authorities. I sat for some years on Wimborne Town Council and found that, although their powers and jurisdiction was limited, they managed to achieve much by using the views of their constituents to help the higher authorities in their decision making. There were some services that they were responsible for, such as parks and open spaces and cemetery, the cost of which was achieved through a precept. Other costs included a part time town clerk and a mayoral allowance. Councillors did not receive an allowance. Following the unpopular decision to create a new BCP council, which I understand was on a Government recommendation, Poole lost a large part of its heritage. The Civic centre was closed and remains empty, Councillors meet at Bournemouth Town Hall and decisions relating to Poole are voted on by members of all three towns, meaning that the number of councillors from two towns can vote down proposals from the third. Where there was an easily accessible Poole town hall, now any contact has to be done through the various departments based away from Poole. While a Poole Town Council would have limited power, it would create a council that was easily accessible to the public and would be able to follow through majority opinions by having local and open meetings thus	-	BH14 0QW	Support		Poole Town

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	giving back a sense of community to the people of Poole. The Charter Trustees, which cost in the region of £100,000 a year is there mainly there to elect civic offices and try to maintain some of the rich heritage of Poole. This cost is mainly to preserve the Mayoralty, although the Mayor is no longer the first citizen of Poole , that role being taken over by the Chair of BCP council. The formation of a town council would reverse that. The cost of the current Charter Trust would be taken on by the town council, and any services taken from BCP council would have their cost transferred from BCPO to the town council. That should lessen the precept of BCP council and go towards the precept of the Town Council, thus leaving the finances of for the two authorities within the current costs. There was little, or no consultation of the merger of the three councils and the result was a shock to many people. It took away a level of democratic process that can be regained by the formation of a Poole Town Council and other parish councils within the old Borough. I would prefer to see a town council involving Poole, Hamworthy and Parkstone with other wards forming parish councils. This would create community hubs throughout the wards of Poole. As far as the Civic Centre is concerned, it has been suggested to me by many people that they would like to see the civic part of the building preserved as a community space and town hall. This involves the protected part of the building, while the rest could be developed as a hotel, housing of commercial offices. [REDACTED]					
06/05/25 19:26	Good afternoon I have tried 3 times to use your website to vote a YES to town and parish councils, but cannot access the survey. We moved to Dorset 18 months ago, are registered as voters, so I have no idea why I cannot take the survey. We live at 30 Marshwood Avenue, Canford Heat BH17 9EP. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH17 9EP	Support	Yes	
07/05/25 15:31	Regarding the Consultation on a new Parish Council I confirm that I strongly object to a further and unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy. We currently pay more than enough taxes in return for very little. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5EP	Object	Yes	
08/05/25 11:03	Good morning, I oppose the creation of any additional town or parish councils and/or hiring of any more councillors paid or unpaid. Please withdraw your proposals. All the best, [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
08/05/25 20:52	Dear Sir/Madam, I am unable to access the online survey despite repeated attempts. If I am able to access it in future I will fill it in. My feedback is, the proposal looks complicated and I was unable to find any explanation as to what the benefit of the new structure might be. I therefore oppose any changes within Bournemouth or Poole, where the Charter Trustees seem to be the cheapest of all of the styles of local council, and I can't see a problem with the way they function. The slight boundary changes within Christchurch look reasonable and should not incur any additional cost, so I approve of those. Kind Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH9 3EY	Object	Yes	

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09/05/25 14:02	We had separate councils for Bournemouth and Poole, until the councils decided to amalgamate. Contrary to what council tax payers wanted, I believe. We certainly do not require another tier of local government, costing us even more money. We seem to get very little in the way of service for the taxes we pay now and yet another tier is not likely to improve the situation. [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5ER	Object	Yes	
10/05/25 08:39	To whom this may concern I am writing with concerns over the bomb shell you are preparing to drop on us Poole residents regarding the Parish & Town Councils. My concerns have been raised because you disclose NO information on what difference this will make to anyone's lives by implementing this, along with NO details of additional costs of which us already overcharged locals will have to payout. If this is done is such a sneaky, hidden way then there will be absolute uproar from locals, because we are already at the brink of "we can't take much more!" It also needs to be outlined who is profiting from this and what salaries are being taken from the pot as well as how much work & hours these people are putting in to be earning such high salaries because this also need to be looked at and investigated very seriously because we know people are earning to much for too little work! Salaries should be dealt with before you demand anymore money off of residents. If these issues I raised are not broadcasted for the public's interest then I object to any changes. Regards, [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
10/05/25 09:20	Town parish councils always used to work in favour if the residents, but now it's all about money grabbing and therefore would be of no benefit to me. The town council would sit abd invite locals to meetings ect, but now its a closed door, we dont have a say. Our opinions dont matter.. So no I don't think it's a good idea and I'm.not prepared to pay for a group of people to enjoy my money. The only person fit to head up a Parish Council n Creekmoor, would be Judy Butt. Other areas should stop dissing her, keep their opinions to themselves. They are no better themselves. Regards. [REDACTED]	-		Object		Poole Town
12/05/25 14:40	I am writing to formally express concern regarding recent developments and communications involving the local parish council, particularly in light of proposals that suggest structural changes or expanded roles that fall outside its current remit. The ongoing discussions and plans seem to have added considerable confusion about the respective responsibilities of the parish council, the unitary authority (BCP Council), and other layers of local government. Instead of fostering clarity and improving local engagement, these overlapping jurisdictions risk creating a fog of responsibility where residents are left uncertain about who is accountable for what. The existence of multiple tiers of council governance does not inherently promote better community cohesion. On the contrary, it often leads to duplicated efforts, wasted resources, and public frustration. Residents seek effective service delivery—not institutional complexity or political grandstanding for an extra cost! BCP Council has a clear and funded mandate to provide core services. It should be focusing its efforts on fulfilling those obligations efficiently and transparently, rather than entertaining notions of new governance structures or expanding the influence of subordinate councils without evidence of need or community support.	-	BH8 8JH	Object	Yes	

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	What is required is not another layer of consultation or reorganisation, but a commitment from all levels of government to communicate clearly, cooperate effectively, and deliver on promises made to residents. I strongly urge the relevant authorities to reconsider any proposals that do not directly enhance service delivery or community well-being, and to focus on the practical responsibilities they are funded and elected to carry out. Good day [REDACTED]					
14/05/25 11:49	I'm writing to say that I do not want a Parish Council for Southbourne . There are enough levels of bureaucracy as is. I do not support it . [REDACTED]	-	BH6 3JE	Object		Southbourne
15/05/25 11:49	My comments on this suggestion are: The number of councillors would increase because all the proposed councillors are in addition to the current BCP district councillors. So Merley (my area) would have 1.5 district councillors AND 2 parish councillors. Thus my main objection is the massive increase in the number of local politicians (and the costs involved). Also the situation with Broadstone (and Redhill etc) is just inconsistent, they are proposing Broadstone as a separate parish from the rest of Poole just because the "Forum" asked for it. The document does not give any other justification to splitting Poole into 2 parish councils. The document itself is also poor, nowhere does it say the current number of councillors, which I worked out to be (76 + 53) = 129, which I think would increase to 258? This document is summed up by this in section 5.7: "We don't know how much it will cost and we don't know what they will be doing". The best option would be NOT to create parishes at all, and remove those already in place for the 5 Christchurch wards. The second best option would be to create 3 parishes Poole, Bournemouth and Christchurch, this would enable the removing of the Charter Trustees. Regards [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
17/05/25 17:46	Hello, We have been asked to send our response in regards to this new ludicrous annual bill. This on behalf of [REDACTED]. There's absolutely no reason to make these parish and town councils. I think someone gets bored. BCP already takes enough money as the most expensive council in the country from without showing our area the due care it deserves. One only needs to take a look at both Poole and Bournemouth High Streets to see the decline in our town centres. Bournemouth Gardens is a mockery of what it once was. The infrastructure and our roads are appalling and all councillors seemed to be bothered about are reducing road speeds. I think our overall message is, there is enough that needs sorting already without adding an extra charge in the mix to ultimately yield the same results. Kind regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7XU	Object	Yes	
18/05/25 14:10	Dear Research and Consultation Team I object to the forming of parish councils in the Poole and Bournemouth area. I have concerns about an additional layer of bureaucracy and cost. The creation of new parish or town councils will add unnecessary complexity to local governance and lead to increased council tax (precepts) without a clear benefit in services.	-	BH4 9HR			

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	There is complete lack of clarity on the roles, responsibilities or benefits residents will see. The division of responsibilities between BCP Council and the new parish/town councils is unclear. I am concerned about potential duplication of services and the lack of accountability. I am concerned about the long-term financial sustainability of newly formed parish councils, particularly regarding their ability to manage assets and deliver services effectively without a substantial financial base. There is high potential for unequal service provision and worry that creating multiple parish councils could lead to disparities in the quality and availability of local services across different areas within BCP. Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]					
22/05/25 11:53	Regarding the Consultation on a new Parish Council I confirm that I strongly object to a further and unnecessary additional layer of bureaucracy. We currently pay more than enough taxes in return for very little . Regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5EP	Object	Yes	
22/05/25 16:31	Dear Sir/ Madam I am writing to tell you how disappointed I am overall the whole politics around BCP council. Furthermore as a resident of Talbot Village, I do not support the introduction of parish councils because they will create an unnecessary extra layer of bureaucracy and expense. We already have representation through our BCP councillors, and adding another tier risks confusion, duplication of effort and increased council tax with little added benefit. Decisions should be made more efficiently, not bogged down by more committees and red tape. Just seem to be a very crafty way of adding more cost on people's council tax. So do not agree with it and hope our opinion matters. Regards [REDCATED]	-		Object	Yes	
25/05/25 19:25	Dear Community Governance Review Committee, I am writing in my capacity as a local resident of Talbot Village in Poole to register my strong objection to the proposals outlined in the BCP Council's Community Governance Review – Draft Recommendations (April 2025), which recommend the establishment of new Parish and Town Councils across Bournemouth and Poole. While I understand and support the principle of community empowerment, I believe that the current proposals are deeply flawed in both rationale and execution and will result in greater confusion, fragmentation, cost, and inequity rather than the stated aims of improved engagement, democracy and service delivery. 1. Dividing the Talbot and Branksome Woods Ward One of the most concerning aspects of the draft proposals is the arbitrary division of the Talbot and Branksome Woods ward, currently a single electoral unit within BCP Council, into two different proposed Town Councils: Bournemouth Town Council and Poole Town Council. As noted in the Council's own consultation document: "The proposed boundary between Bournemouth and Poole Town Councils follows the current Bournemouth/Poole historic boundary." (Section 3.5.2, page 13) This approach ignores the current democratic and geographic reality of the ward, which functions cohesively under BCP Council and is served by a unified team of ward councillors. Splitting this community between two separate parish bodies will: * Confuse accountability, especially when overlapping or shared issues arise. * Create disparities in precept rates, representation and service expectations depending on which side of the	-	BH12 5HE	Object	Yes	

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	boundary a resident falls, despite sharing the same community identity. * Weaken our collective voice, especially on strategic matters such as planning, infrastructure, and public safety. This division directly contradicts the review's own stated objectives of "ensuring electors across the whole area are treated equitably and fairly" (Section 1.5, page 4). 2. Lack of Clarity Around Powers, Responsibilities, and Costs The Draft Recommendations acknowledge that the scope of any new Town Council's powers remains undefined: "The level of precept charged would depend upon the scale of ambition and services delivered by each parish or town council." (Section 5.3.1, page 19) This makes it impossible for residents to make an informed judgment about the financial implications. How can the council reasonably consult on these changes without providing even illustrative estimates of precepts or the likely service transfer scenarios? Residents are essentially being asked to sign a blank cheque. Once implemented, parish councils can raise precepts without the same scrutiny or capping controls that apply to principal authorities. I am not willing to support any model that introduces a new layer of taxation without clear service guarantees, limits, or transparency mechanisms. 3. Duplication, Bureaucracy, and Inefficiency Creating parish and town councils would duplicate many functions already provided, or capable of being improved, under the existing BCP Council framework. This adds a layer of bureaucracy at a time when residents are rightly concerned about efficiency, value for money and joined up service delivery. Our ward already benefits from strong community infrastructure, including the Talbot Village Residents' Association, which provides a transparent, inclusive and cost-free forum for local engagement and a fee of £5 for 2 years for members who receive additional benefits. The establishment of another governance layer will only serve to blur responsibilities and confuse residents, particularly in planning, street maintenance and service complaints. 4. Undermining Ward Councillors and Existing Representation The introduction of an unelected or poorly contested parish council (given historically low turnout) risks creating a second, less accountable governance structure that may duplicate or contradict the work of elected BCP councillors. This is particularly troubling where wards like Talbot and Branksome Woods are split between proposed councils, making coordination unworkable. BCP ward councillors have proven to be accessible, responsive and effective. They already work directly with residents and associations to address local concerns. Adding parish councillors will only dilute representation and create confusion over who is responsible for what. 5. Overly Large Proposed Town Councils – Contrary to Community Focus The proposed Poole Town Council would represent an electorate of nearly 118,000 people, served by 42 councillors across 17 wards (Section 3.4.3, page 12). This is far too large to deliver on the promise of "improved and stronger community engagement, more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective and convenient delivery of local services." This model mimics a second-tier local authority, not a community based parish structure. If the aim is hyper-localism, then such scale contradicts the very purpose of parish councils. It also risks politicisation, higher costs and inefficiencies with no evident improvement to services or representation. 6. Better Alternatives Already Exist Rather than create new governance bodies, I believe BCP Council should focus on: * Strengthening support for existing community associations and forums. * Improving local engagement platforms such as Let's Talk BCP and neighbourhood partnerships.					

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611	* Exploring Community Interest Companies, Neighbourhood Forums and delegate engagement mechanisms without the cost and bureaucracy of a formal parish structure. This would achieve the review's stated goals without imposing financial burdens on residents or fracturing our existing communities. Conclusion and Recommendation The current proposals for new Parish and Town Councils are not supported, do not reflect the will of local residents, and are fundamentally flawed in both design and consultation process. As a resident of Talbot Village, I strongly oppose the creation of any new Parish or Town Council that affects our area — particularly one that divides established wards like Talbot and Branksome Woods and imposes new, undefined tax burdens. I respectfully urge BCP Council to: * Abandon the current parish and town council proposals. * Maintain the integrity of existing wards like Talbot and Branksome Woods. * Support existing community mechanisms to enhance engagement and representation. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this consultation. I trust the Council will carefully consider the views of residents who will ultimately bear the consequences of these decisions. I would also like to take this opportunity to highlight some concerns regarding the design of the Consultation Survey. Although I am confident in using technology, I found the survey unnecessarily complex and not user-friendly. I believe this could deter many residents from completing it, particularly those who may be less comfortable with digital formats. Additionally, I was disappointed to find that Talbot Village is not listed as an option in the area selection dropdown. Instead, residents are expected to choose "Other," which undermines the recognition of Talbot Village as a distinct community. I strongly recommend that Talbot Village be added to the list, in line with how other areas have been presented. For these reasons, I am submitting my response via email and trust that it will be given equal consideration to those submitted through the online portal. Yours sincerely, [REDACTED]					
26/05/25 16:51	Hi I am opposed to more tiers of bureaucracy. You can't run the council as it stands, adding more levels can only make things more costly, slow down procedures more and, if it's possible make more of a hash things than the borough already does. I am vehemently against town and parish councils. Less bureaucracy, not more. [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
26/05/25 17:02	Hi BCP Council. I do not support the proposal of parish councils. It's not broken do not fix it. This is just another why councils get achieve greater monies from the residents. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
27/05/25 15:08	Good afternoon. I am writing in opposition to the authorities position on the community governance. I am alarmed that we are all going to be burdened with spiralling costs, potential redundancies in BCP staff due to costs and burdens that will come.	-	BH37JE	Object	Yes	

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	This isn't a case of it might or it won't, it's a very clear and simple it will cost and burden Council Tax payers and businesses with Business Tax. What research has been conducted to date to estimate how much these plans will cost, plus 5 year forecast losses to BCP. I would have preferred that airshow went ahead due to money it brings into the town, rather than the obvious jobs for the boys this will create. It would be far better setting up volunteer groups within parishes. When is the council meeting to discuss and take comment from Council Tax payers and business leaders. Regards [REDACTED]					
29/05/25 10:41	Hello I am writing to advise that I do not agree with the proposals for the Community \Governance review. The present BCP does not have much money so even sign posting and road bollards are neglected As we are one of the major holiday resorts this is a poor welcome to our visitors More administration and all the extra charges involved will mean more expense to the public Please do not impose this on us! Thank you [REDACTED]	-	BH2 6NS	Object	Yes	
01/06/25 20:17	Hi, I have yet to see anything about this that unequivocally and unambiguously explains why this is a benefit to me as a Poole resident. I am also unsure about how any consultation can be instigated when there is neither clarity as regards what services will be migrated nor what potential costs are likely to me. This being the case, any outcome would be based on speculation. In addition, it has not been made clear how the decision making powers bestowed may differ from what already exists under the existing BCP set up. For BCP to get to the stage of launching a consultation, surely a full, accurate and costed business case should have been completed. Where is this? So in view of all these points and the paucity of quality information from the proposers of this scheme, I would not support a move to town councils. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7SY	Object	Yes	
02/06/25 10:23	[REDACTED] I urge BCP Council to defer any decision to introduce new parish or town councils in Bournemouth and Poole until after the next local elections in May 2027. The current Community Governance Review is proposing further structural changes to local government, just a few years after the major reorganisation that formed BCP Council in 2019. Creating a new layer of local government could bring far-reaching consequences, including: * Higher council tax due to the addition of uncapped parish precepts; * Increased bureaucracy and complexity in local governance; * Division within communities over boundaries and representation; and * Splitting of existing wards, disrupting current local ties.	-	BH14 8JH	Object	Yes	

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613	I have a concern that the current administration has already indicated strong support for the proposals, undermining public confidence in what should be a fair and impartial review. Why This Matters * The current consultation is non-binding and the final decision lies with councillors, many of whom have already publicly supported the proposals. This raises serious questions about the legitimacy of the process. Residents have been informed the consultation is being reviewed internally without independent oversight and therefore concerned about transparency. * A new CEO is due to take office at BCP Council in Aug/Sept 2025. It is only right to give the incoming leadership time to evaluate performance, stabilise services and implement improvements before any major governance changes are made. * Most importantly, residents deserve a meaningful say. By delaying any decision until after the May 2027 local elections, the issue can be openly debated as part of the democratic process, giving voters the power to decide through the ballot box. What I am Asking I respectfully petition BCP Council to: Postpone any decisions on the implementation of new parish or town councils until after the 2027 local elections. This delay will help ensure: * Transparency in the consultation process; * Organisational stability during leadership transition; and * A democratic mandate that reflects the will of the people. The public need to make sure that any structural changes to local government are grounded in public consent, not just procedural compliance. [REDACTED]					
02/06/25 16:23	I would like to protest against the parish council plans. I think we are fine as we are and I foresee trouble, if the plan should go through, in the form of higher council tax bills. Kind regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH14 8JG	Object	Yes	
03/06/25 16:48	The Community Governance Review Consultation – Draft Recommendations were discussed at the Hurn Parish Council meeting on the 12 of May 2025. Cllrs comment as follows: They agree with the recommendations shown in paragraph 2.2 on p14 of the consultation except for - 2.2 (b) “the boundary of the existing parish of Hurn be altered as shown on the plan at paragraph 1.6”. When the Parish Council commented previously at stage 1, they were referring only to Area A on the map which they agree should be transferred to Christchurch Town Council. However, they do not agree with the transfer of Area B from the Town Council to Hurn Parish Council. Area B appears to be a public area which Hurn Parish Council does not have the funding to maintain and does not want it transferred into the Parish. Area B should remain within Christchurch Town Council. I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of Hurn Parish Council’s comments. Kind Regards Clerk to Hurn Parish Council Following clarification a subsequent response was received from the parish council which reads: Dear Richard,	-		Mixed		Hurn

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	Your clarification that the proposal is only to redraw the boundary and not to transfer any land ownership or responsibility was discussed at the Parish Council meeting. In light of your clarification, Councillors agree that Area B should be transfer into the Parish of Hurn from Christchurch Town Council, on the understanding that the Parish Council will not have any responsibility for the land or any maintenance of it. Kind Regards Clerk to Hurn Parish Council					
04/06/25 19:16	To whom it may concern I have responded re the above via the BCP website but found the questions asked rather confusing and wasn't entirely sure that my actual response was clearly shown from the questions asked. Therefore I am emailing to make sure that my voice is heard correctly. I am requesting that BCP Council defer any decision to introduce new parish or town councils in Bournemouth and Poole until after the next local elections in May 2027. The current Community Governance Review is proposing further structural changes to local government, just a few years after the major reorganisation that formed BCP Council in 2019. Creating a new layer of local government could bring far-reaching consequences, including: * Higher council tax due to the addition of uncapped parish precepts; * Increased bureaucracy and complexity in local governance; * Division within communities over boundaries and representation; and * Splitting of existing wards, disrupting current local ties. I am also concerned that the current administration has already indicated strong support for the proposals, undermining public confidence once again in what should be a fair and impartial consultation. I have previously responded to BCP consultations and have been extremely frustrated and disappointed that the council, in many cases, do not appear to consider the majority of residents reactions and continue with their own agenda. Let's hope that this is not another example of this. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH14 8SB			
07/06/25 18:44	Dear Community Governance Review Team, Please find the submission on behalf of the Talbot Village Residents' Association. Please confirm receipt of this email. I am concerned I didn't receive one for my personal submission and therefore want to ensure this one has been received. Kind regards, [REDACTED] Chair of the TVRA	Appendix 2	BH12 5HE	Object	Yes	
09/06/25 10:15	Hello Please accept this email and my rejection to and opposition for the 'consultation' proposing new Parish and Town Councils. The consultation does not: 1. Give the option(s) alongside the costs of providing each those services that could be transferred. 2. There is no saying what the initial precept cost is likely to be £?? per year per town or Parish Council and that this cannot be legally capped etc. Unlike a Broadstone Councillor who has publicly said it can be capped!. [REDACTED]. That is a clear attempt to mislead the public into accepting a new Town Council. 3. The government cap for BCP Council tax is a maximum 4.99%. 4. The consultation therefore does not (if challenged) in my professional opinion meet the legal 'Gunning Principles' for public consultations especially number 2. 5. There is no estimate of the set up costs for each council in terms of servicing all the new councillors, staffing required, I.T. required, meeting arrangements etc.	-	BH15 3SN	Object	Yes	

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	6. There is nothing to say that the Town Council once constituted can charge whatever it deems fit once in place and for what services has and it could undertake, takeover or create ongoing etc. 7. Unclear but nothing to say in the 16-page consultation that BCP will transfer the funding it already uses for these services to the Town/Parish Councils for it to run them (guessing not) as will be implemented as an extra council tax grab dressed up as community involvement etc. 8. This is such a major change to local government administration that it should wait as you are still about to have a new Chief Executive at BCP who may have a view. 9. It should be front and centre at the next BCP elections manifesto in 2027 for Those parties for and against it with sufficient information for the public to make an informed choice. Regards [REDACTED]					
09/06/25 14:28	Dear Community Governance Review, I am writing to express my strong personal opposition to the proposals outlined in the BCP Council's Community Governance Review – Draft Recommendations (April 2025) for the establishment of new parish and town councils, and in particular, to the proposal to create a Bournemouth Town Council. Whilst I am a serving BCP Councillor, I am not writing in my official capacity, but as a longstanding resident of Talbot Woods, who will be directly affected by these proposals. I do so because I believe this issue has significant implications for our local community, and it is vital that residents' voices, not just political ones, are heard clearly. 1. A Community at Risk of Fragmentation The proposals, if implemented, would split the Talbot and Branksome Woods Ward, which currently functions cohesively under a single democratic structure, into two separate entities as Poole Town Council and Bournemouth Town Council. This proposed division is artificial, permanent and deeply concerning. Talbot Woods and Talbot Village are not simply lines on a map, they are interconnected, interdependent neighbourhoods that share infrastructure, representation and identity. Separating them into different councils would fracture long-standing community ties, increase confusion around responsibility for local issues, and create two sets of expectations, precepts, and services for residents living only streets apart. The communities of interest recognised by the Boundary Commission in all its recent boundary reviews would be ignored and broken. 2. Unnecessary and Poorly Defined Powers Paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3 of the document notes that if a Bournemouth Town Council is not created, the existing Charter Trustees would continue their current functions, safeguarding Bournemouth's civic heritage. The proposed Town Council, by contrast, would offer “additional freedoms” but these are neither defined nor costed. It is not clear what other activities the new Town Council would undertake, or how those activities would be funded. Paragraph 5.3.1 even states that precepts will depend on “the scale of ambition” an extremely vague phrase. Without clarity on the services to be delivered, the budget required, or the operational costs, residents are being asked to endorse a model that may significantly increase Council Tax bills with no guarantee of improved service delivery. This is precisely what has occurred in a number of towns across the south-west where town councils have been established. 3. A Second-Tier Council in All But Name The proposed Bournemouth Town Council would serve nearly 100,000 residents, with 38 elected councillors across 11 wards. This is not a parish council in any meaningful sense. It resembles a parallel local authority, likely to duplicate services already provided by BCP Council. This scale contradicts the core principle of parish governance, namely, to bring democracy and decision-making closer to communities. In reality, it creates a complex bureaucratic structure, dilutes accountability and risks politicisation. The ward I live in (Talbot & Branksome Woods) would have just three councillors on	-	BH4 9JL	Object		Bournemouth Town

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	the Town Council, representing over 7,000 electors. As documented in the data contained in the draft document, that's already a 13% variance from the average, meaning some communities will inevitably be over- or under-represented from the outset. 4. Cost Without Benefit Unlike the Charter Trustees, which already levy a small precept for ceremonial functions, the new Town Council would have the legal power to raise taxes without any capping mechanism. Yet the document provides no examples of services it would deliver. In times of rising household costs, deliberately introducing a new, unaccountable layer of taxation with no transparency or specific service delivery is unjustifiable. Many residents in this and neighbouring Wards are struggling to meet the cost of the existing council tax, let alone any further precepts. 5. Duplication of Existing Community Structures In Talbot Woods and Talbot Village, we already benefit from strong, active residents' associations that organise events, monitor planning issues, liaise with Council Officers and promote community engagement, all at virtually no cost to the public. These groups are inclusive, accessible and trusted. Replacing or overlapping them with formal parish governance risks weakening that local infrastructure, whilst adding unnecessary confusion to the responsibilities over who does what and how to hold them to account. 6. Risk of Inequity and Conflict As the document notes in Paragraph 1.11, it is essential to ensure equitable representation across parish wards. Yet the proposed warding for Bournemouth Town Council already fails to meet the recommended councillor-to-electors ratio in some areas, including mine in Talbot & Branksome Woods Ward. Moreover, splitting a single community across multiple town councils guarantees inefficiency, misalignment in priorities, and a confused public realm, especially in areas such as highways, planning and local services, where joined-up thinking is critical. In Conclusion As a resident of Talbot Woods, I do not believe that the proposed Bournemouth Town Council will improve local engagement or services. On the contrary, it will: * Divide cohesive communities (such as Talbot Woods and Talbot Village) * Introduce unclear responsibilities and unfunded ambitions * Create a second-tier authority which in part will inevitably duplicate BCP Council's role * Raise costs for residents without clear benefits * Weaken existing, effective, grassroots community networks The existing system, supported by Ward Councillors and community-led associations, is already serving residents very well. What we actually need is more support for what already works, rather than this distraction from BCP Council, and certainly not the imposition of a costly, complicated new structure which nobody asked for in the opening consultation. For these reasons, I strongly oppose the creation of a Bournemouth Town Council and respectfully ask the Committee to reconsider and abandon these proposals. Yours faithfully, John Beesley					
09/06/25 22:33	Sir/Madam As a resident of Poole, I am writing to object to your plan for the new Parish Councils. BCP was formed to manage Poole and we, the residents are paying you for this service. Why, now are you considering off-loading some of your responsibilities without any reduction in our community charge and with an additional charge for the new parish council. The scheme has not been thought out and you cannot say what areas of your responsibility you are off-loading. Anyone in their right mind would have a costed plan for such hare brained scheme	-		Object	Yes	

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	Regards [REDACTED]					
10/06/25 06:54	I am totally against setting up new Parish councils. We do not need them and certainly cannot afford them. Another tier of local government is totally unnecessary, especially seeing the vast amount of salary paid to officials in the existing council. [REDACTED]	-	BH6 4LT	Object	Yes	
10/06/25 12:37	I would like to express my opposition to bcp offloading some of their responsibilities on to parish councils, who will then charge escalating precepts in the council tax to cover the cost. BCP has 76 councillors; they represent all of the wards. In the proposals, there would be 42 parish councillors for Poole; even if the councillors were not paid, with 42 councillors there would need to be some paid administration services. Council tax payers would be paying for that. I'm sure bcp does not intend to reduce its costs / get rid of any admin staff if parish councils are brought in. There would also be costly meetings between bcp and all the parish councils. BCP has a lot of work to do and additional layers of bureaucracy do not boost productivity. BCP council should get on and do the work it was elected to do, not offload work on to parish councils and cost on to council tax payers. [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7DW	Object		Poole Town
11/06/25 10:07	Good morning, I'm responding to the consultation on the Community Governance Review as a resident who has lived in Springbourne and worked in Bournemouth for 20 years. I strongly disagree with the proposed arrangements. I'm not convinced this extra tier of government is needed, especially since the establishment of BCP is barely complete. It's not been made clear which roles the new bodies would take on and the number of Councillors seems excessive. I am also concerned that establishing this additional layer would create confusion since Springbourne and Eastcliff is about to establish its Neighbourhood Plan and NP Forum boundary. If the proposal goes ahead in some form it would be much better for all of Bournemouth to have one Town Council along the boundaries of the old Borough, rather than certain neighbourhoods being cherry picked off, leaving an arbitrary and confusing area for the remainder of Bournemouth. Alternatively if Bournemouth must be carved up I would prefer my ward (East cliff and Springbourne) to have its own boundary matching our neighbourhood plan boundary - or it could be added to the proposed Boscombe and Pokesdown area since this is our natural neighbour. I expect that only a small fraction of residents will respond to the consultation as the information and survey are so complex. This is particularly the case for residents in the proposed Bournemouth leftovers area. Lack of engagement should not be taken as an indication that residents are happy for the proposal to go ahead. If the rest of the conurbation is to be divided into Parish and Town Council's it would be unfair for Bournemouth to miss out, but the current proposal for left over bits of Bournemouth which no one has promoted seems doomed to fail. kind regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH1 4NR	Object		Bournemouth Town
11/06/25 10:10	Good morning Please find attached my response to the CGR. I would be grateful for acknowledgment of my submission. Thank you [REDACTED]	Appendix 3	BH12 5HE	Object	Yes	
12/06/25 08:52	I have read the draft recommendations and am broadly in support of the proposal. However, I'd like to make the following comments. The Poole parish looks much larger than the existing town councils. Is the size appropriate?	-	BH15 3NZ	Support	Yes	

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	The Poole proposed area covers wards of very different character. How is this in line with the idea of establishing town councils? Broadstone demonstrates this idea as it has a local identity. Will the councillors be in addition to the BCP councillors, or be the same people? The principles of safeguarding and strengthening the distinctiveness of the historic town of Poole and enabling local councillors to support and champion local initiatives are ones that I wholeheartedly support. Regards [REDACTED]					
12/06/25 10:20	I am strongly against BCP forcing residents into Town councils and different wards saying it will bring communities together!! It won't, it will separate communities, change boundary lines, cost residents more money. This is not a small town or village. Christchurch has not benefited at all !! Children's play parks closed, summer play water parks for children under threat constantly. It's overwhelming not wanted by Poole residents. If BCP can't afford a proper referendum on this then they can't afford to put it into practice either !! I will never vote LD again we (the people who voted for you) have and are being totally betrayed and dictated to. Shame on you ! Yours in total disgust [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7JQ	Object		Poole Town
12/06/25 14:00	Thank for this I have already completed the consultation regarding the Governance Review, but I, like many other frankly don't believe that this council take any notice of what we say in these so called consultations. Many say why bother they never listen, Poole Park being a classic case. Many people now refuse to do any of your consultations as they are held in such disrespect. Even councillors have said to me personally that the only reason these are conducted is because they have to and it is little more than a tick boxing exercise. If you want people to participate, then respect the people's views! [REDACTED]	-		Not specific		
12/06/25 14:36	I tried to complete the survey about Parish Councils but got logged out. I would like to say that I, [REDACTED] do NOT want a Parish Council because it is just an extra layer of administration in the Council. Please confirm that you have received my email. Many thanks [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5ER	Object	Yes	
12/06/25 15:23	I think its a waste of money to have parish councils so I am not in favour of spending ratepayer money on fripperies. [REDACTED] Broadstone	-		Object	Yes	
12/06/25 15:49	I do not think it necessary or advisable to have an extra layer of local government. June Webber Sent from my iPad	-	BH18 9LF	Object	Yes	
13/06/25 07:35	Good morning. I've just submitted my response re the community governance review mainly relating to Poole but omitted an important issue. If the creation of a Poole Town council were to go ahead how and where would it be supported in terms of accommodation. Before the civic centre gets sold for conversion into flats, which is it's inevitable fate, the cattistock room and council chambers and mayor's parlour must be preserved, maintained and separated from the rest of the building to accommodate the town council meetings etc. Although there is an option to do this within the sale agree it is only an option but should be made	-		Mixed		Poole Town

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	mandatory. Councillors cannot be expected to sit in traffic and add to traffic every day to hold meetings in Bournemouth that are the business of Poole Town. Thank you [REDACTED]					
13/06/25 19:39	HI, Thank you for your email. I have attempted answer the community governance review consultation. However, it asks specifics about how town and parish council are set up. It doesn't ask if I think the whole concept is a good idea. It feels like BCP have already decided that this is happening, and all your asking is the details of how it should happen. To be clear I am against the idea of establishing another tier of governance. The questionnaire is biased as it does not ask this question. I look forward to your response. Thanks [REDACTED] BCP Resident	-		Object	Yes	
15/06/25 13:48	Dear Sirs Given the current state of public finances, it seems extraordinary that the Government - whilst restricting council finances - can force this type of bureaucratic consultation which must have cost a fortune. One of the reasons for merging the three councils to create BCP was supposed to be to save money and become more efficient. The government now seem to be forcing an extra layer of bureaucracy. Where town and parish councils currently exist, and there isn't a demand for them to be abolished, they should be left. Financially, it doesn't seem the right time to be adding further costs to council tax bills in creating a lot more. The frustration of the Poole Trustees seems to be lack of money to support community events. Lack of money being a consistent recurring theme! How much has all this consultation cost? I'm sure the money could have been better spent on higher priorities. The volume of reports/ statistics and length of questionnaire will deter many people from taking part. I noticed that the public conveniences are something which can be delegated to town or parish councils. This seems ridiculous across the conurbation. I can't see many town or parish councils wishing to take them on - particularly if they aren't given enough money to maintain them properly. The whole thing looks like a way to transfer responsibility and the costs, for some things which were previously done by the council, on to someone else. Particularly as the charge for the parish/ town councils is an extra charge which can then be added to council tax bills. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH13 6EB	Object	Yes	
15/06/25 14:17	Dear Committee Members, As a resident of Talbot Village, I strongly object to the proposed creation of Poole Town Council. This new structure would split our existing ward by separating Talbot Village from neighbouring Talbot Woods, despite our close ties as one community. The proposal lacks clear benefits, comes with the risk of higher council tax, and adds another unnecessary layer of governance. We already have effective residents' groups and	-	BH12 5EJ	Object		Poole Town

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	councillor support under the current system, without extra cost or confusion. I urge you to reject this plan and keep the Charter Trustees model, which continues to serve us well. Kind regards, [REDACTED]					
15/06/25 14:22	Dear Committee Members, As a resident of Talbot Village, I strongly object to the proposed creation of Poole Town Council. This new structure would split our existing ward by separating Talbot Village from neighbouring Talbot Woods, despite our close ties as one community. The proposal lacks clear benefits, comes with the risk of higher council tax, and adds another unnecessary layer of governance. We already have effective residents' groups and councillor support under the current system, without extra cost or confusion. I urge you to reject this plan and keep the Charter Trustees model, which continues to serve us well. Kind regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5EJ	Object		Poole Town
15/06/25 18:38	Hi, I started to fill in the online survey but that didn't allow me to express the thoughts I wanted to share so please accept my response in this form. I have read Community Governance Review 2025 Information Document and have the following comments: * There seems to be very little justification for the need to change other than that the Charter Trustees and mayors are frustrated because they want to support more community-based activities and events and to provide grant funding for individuals and local organisations (section 4.1). I would like to see more justification provided for the change (e.g. a list of the problems to be solved) so that the readers can understand why the change is proposed and comment on whether the proposal will resolve these problems. Without knowing the problem then it is very difficult / impossible to judge whether the proposed solution is appropriate. * One aim that is stated is "The aim of the Review is to bring about improved and stronger community engagement, more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective and convenient delivery of local services; ensuring electors across the whole area are treated equitably and fairly." (section 2.7). If this is an aim then it would suggest a consistent approach across the BCP area is appropriate but this is not what is proposed with the haphazard partitioning of Poole and Bournemouth into parishes / towns. See later comments for details. * There are few facts about what the results of the proposed change will be other than responsibility for some of the items listed in section 5.4 may move from BCP to the parish / town councils. Again there is no indication as to why this is necessary or why BCP cannot manage all of these items. * One thing this the proposal is clear on is that there will be more councillors and greater cost to the council tax payer but there is no indication of what benefit this will bring so it is not possible to judge whether this is a good or a bad thing. Explaining what the problem is and how this change will help would help the reader make an informed decision. * The breakdown of BCP into parish / town councils is not at all consistent and looks quite arbitrary. Again no reason is given for the partitioning so it is not possible for the reader to judge whether or not this is a sensible proposal. Some anomalies seem to be: * Poole is almost a single "town". Why is Broadstone not included? But there again why are not all the individual areas within Poole separate parishes or towns? Most are similar to Broadstone in most ways. * Bournemouth is almost a single "town" also but this time Redhill & Northbourne, Boscombe & Pokesdown and Southbourne are separated. Why is this? What is the benefit of separating in this way? * The proposed Poole and Bournemouth town councils look very similar to the arrangement before BCP was formed. If it was felt that the formation of BCP was the way to go then is this not a retrograde step? On the other hand if it is felt that separate Poole and Bournemouth councils is a better organisation then why not	-	BH18 9HR	Object	Yes	

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	break up BCP and return things to the pre-BCP arrangement? Why is a single tier of council not better than the two tiers proposed? Again a better explanation of the reasons & benefits would help the reader make an informed decision. * If there is a benefit to an area being separated as a parish or town then surely it applies universally and should be applied universally. But without knowing what benefits are expected (see earlier comments) it is not possible for the reader to judge whether this is a good proposal or not. In summary I don't think it is possible for a reader to judge whether or not this proposal is a good idea based on the contents of the proposal document. Adding the following information to the document would overcome this: * A list of the problems to be solved and a description of how it is expected that the proposal will solve these problems. * Reasons for the partitioning into the proposed parishes / towns and why this is not consistent. * An exact list of what the parish / town councils will be responsible for, how much this will cost and how the cost will change over time. Please let me know if I have missed or misunderstood anything and I shall be glad to update my response. I would like to add the following to my submission: * I'm not sure how the initial submission system you mention worked but I don't think there is anything special about Broadstone, Redhill, Boscombe and Southbourne that would make them more suitable for separate parish / town councils than other areas. Whatever has been identified, reported or proposed for these areas probably applies to all areas across BCP so all areas should be treated equally. I think it would be wrong to treat different areas of BCP differently and doing so could lead to friction and bad feeling. * If the aim of the proposal is to help respond to local issues and concerns then the proposed Poole and Bournemouth town councils are too large and should be split into their constituent parts e.g. Parkstone, Branksome, Oakdale, Canford Heath, etc. The proposed Poole and Bournemouth town councils are approximately one third the size of BCP so unlikely to have any locality advantages over BCP itself. * If the proposal does go ahead with only the four areas separated from Poole and Bournemouth then I think it is important that a process be included in the proposal for areas being able to separate from or re-integrate with the larger Poole and Bournemouth town councils. This would help overcome any concerns that might arise about special treatment for the four areas because any area could then have its own parish / town council if it so wished. Also an area could return to the Poole or Bournemouth town council if it felt that better suited its needs. * Your statement "It is not possible to outline or provide details of what the new councils will deliver or support. Any new councils will be separate legal entities and will have full powers to determine their priorities and budget." concerns me. It is impossible for anybody to decide if something is good or bad if they don't know what it is. All respondents to the consultation will have their own idea of what is meant by parish / town council, they may all be different and none may match what eventually transpires. It's like being asked "would you like a car?" and not knowing whether you'll have to pay £500 for a 25 year old hatchback, £500,000 for an impractical supercar or something in between. I think this will make responses difficult to interpret consistently and may make them meaningless. * If parish / town councils "will have full powers to determine their priorities and budget" then I think it is important to set some bounds on what they can charge. Some people may think a parish / town council worth having (or at least not objecting to) if it costs say £50 per year which will only ever increase with inflation but I doubt anybody would agree to the equivalent of another council tax charge or any charge without some bounds on its rate of increase. Best regards, [REDACTED]					

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15/06/25 18:46	Hello,I would just like Poole to be a borough,and be governed by our own councillors who know the area and from our own municipal building. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5DR	Support		Poole Town
16/06/25 16:15	Christchurch Council was originally a Rotton Borough. In the Local Government Review of 1974 it was made a District Council, the smallest in the Country. The then Mayor had a chauffeur driven Rolls Royce and a Mace Bearer. Despite having award winning new Civic Offices, the majority of meetings were held in private in the Kings Arms almost opposite. Between 1998 and 2009 I worked for the Audit Commission auditing all public bodies in Dorset, Hampshire and Wiltshire. Christchurch Borough Council was always most disrespectfull to Audit Commission staff. I wrote to every Secretary of State, from Eric Pickles to Savid Javid suggesting that Dorset be made a Unitary Authority. When Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole and Dorset Unitary Authorities were created, it was a relief. However, right the last moment Christchurch determined to create Town and Parish Councils and a survey was undertaken. The results for Friars Cliff, where I live, were inconclusive, so it was determined they would be added to Christchurch Town Council, despite having nothing in common with each other. The results of this survey have never been disclosed. I then wrote to Robert Jenrick, who said that the determination had been legal!! The first precept for the new Town Council was less than £10 for the year. This year it is £104.51. I am not aware of any services we receive from Christchurch Town Council and mindful of the number of new properties built in the area of the Town Council I can only presume expenditure is profligate. Meanwhile the Town Clerk sits in a Listed Building, on which no expense is spared, sitting in antique furniture and with a full stocked sideboard of spirits. My advice to anyone considering creating Town or Parish Councils is DONT! Regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH23 4EA	Object	Yes	
16/06/25 18:36	No I don't think we should employ even more council workers to cover each parish in bcp. Regards. [REDCATED]	0	BH14 9QS	Object	Yes	
16/06/25 19:24	Dear to whom this may concern, As Acting Clerk for Highcliffe & Walkford Parish Council, I'm pleased to submit the following comments in relation to our parish. 1. Councillors are keen for HWPC to continue in its current guise, and residents are highly supportive and positive about the council and its work. 2. Councillors have expressed contentment with the external boundaries currently in effect, and there are no proposals from HWPC to change these. 3. Councillors have made a proposal that the internal ward boundaries be changed. Currently there are 3 wards within the parish - it's been commented that this is excessive for a relatively small parish area. The proposal would see 2 wards, split in a near-straight line in the centre, along Hinton Wood Avenue, Castle Lane, and then down to the sea. This would also see the councillors redistributed 6 West and 5 East. We would be happy to discuss this further as required. With best wishes Nicki France Acting Clerk and Proper Officer Highcliffe & Walkford Parish Council	-		Support		Highcliffe and Walkford

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16/06/25 22:15	Dear Sir or Madam I have just become aware of this consultation because of an item on BBC South Today. Having briefly read the main document, I note that the BCP area already has a number of Parish Councils, and that the new proposals involve creating several more Parishes plus a main Town Council for Bournemouth and another for Poole. In the case of my area, near Kinson, I note that one proposal is to create a Parish for Northbourne and Redhill, and that another is to include the Bearwood area into the main body of the Poole Town Council. The problem is that a swathe of the town from Kinson, through West Howe and up to Wallisdown would be almost cut off from most of the rest of Bournemouth. We would have Poole Council pressing on our boundaries to the South and to the West, and Northbourne and Redhill Parish just to the East. We already have East Dorset starting at Longham bridge. The only connection to the rest of Bournemouth would be a narrow strip of land running East/West near Wallisdown Road. The history of this part of Bournemouth is simply not the same as the bulk of the town, which developed first as a rich Victorian Tourist Resort, then as a "Well Heeled" retirement area. I speak as one of the few residents who was born in Bournemouth, and have lived my whole life in this area. Our history lies in the Charitable aims of the Talbot Village Trust, created to alleviate poverty in the area, the historic centre of Kinson, and the old heathlands which had more in common with the great heaths like Canford Heath, stretching away into rural Dorset. We had a road called Boundary Road for a reason. This part of the town feels semi detached from the bulk of Bournemouth already. People here are as likely to shop at Tower Park, or Wimborne or Ferndown as in Bournemouth. It is simply not correct to throw our interests into a pool with places like Littledown, Queens Park and Westbourne. If we have to compete with parts of Bournemouth which are well off and well connected, and which do have more in common, my part of town is always going to come off second best. The West Howe Estate was built where it was largely because the rest of Bournemouth preferred not to be reminded that things like social housing were a necessity. We had to put up with the principal town landfill site through years when the standards of management for landfill were pretty inadequate. More recently, we had to fight hard to stop a "Traveller" site being dumped on us because the rest of Bournemouth did not want it. Very recently we have had a large upsurge of noisy aircraft flying across Kinson at very low altitudes, as the airport has become busier. Are Westbourne and Queens Park going to have any interest in our problems? I would fully support the idea that north west Bournemouth should have a stronger voice to ensure that our views are heard, and would therefore support the idea of a Parish here. I always thought that the old Kinson Forum was good. However, if our fate is simply to be lumped into a large Bournemouth Town Council which will claim to speak for us when it does not, that is a step backwards. For this reason I believe we are better off being represented directly by the Trustees, and therefore wish to oppose the formation of a Bournemouth Town Council, unless our area can have its own Parish instead. [REDACTED]	-	BH11 9EH	Object		Bournemouth Town
17/06/25 07:44	I am a Poole resident and feel that forming smaller parish councils would be a retrograde step plus incur extra expense. Surely it would be much better to reform the current council structure in some way and give the locally elected councillors a much stronger remit for their immediate area rather than create another tier of people. [REDACTED]	-	BH13 7JN	Object	Yes	

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17/06/25 19:16	Since I do t even seem to be able to register; I'd prefer simply to say to you that I certainly do not want another level of local government here. Get on with it as one council, and stop wasting all this money and time when we so evidently need good local governance. The recreation of a Parish Council in Poole is the last thing we need- I suggest the BCP council grows up, accepts its responsibilities and moves on appropriately, representing Poole's extraordinary history properly, as it should also Christchurch and Bournemouth! Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH13 7PG	Object		Poole Town
18/06/25 16:22	To Whom it may concern I would like to have BCP council use my council tax payments to provide the services that they outline in their remit. Employing more councillors and civil servants by setting up town and parish councils will demand more council tax from myself paying the wages of these additional civil servants to provide the services that i currently should be receiving from my current BCP council civil servants. Introducing a new layer of civil servants is not going to increase my council services merely pass certain existing services to new civil servants that i am paying the wages for. I wholeheartedly oppose this extra layer of civil servants and cost that should not be necessary if BCP councillors and civil servants would use the existing revenue from council tax correctly and responsibly. Make existing civil servants work smarter not throw more inefficient civil servants at the problem. Kind Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH8 9DN	Object	Yes	
19/06/25 16:58	Dear All I am writing on behalf of local residents in the East Cliff and Springbourne Area concerning the Community Governance review. Initial thoughts by residents at Stage 1 of the consultation was that we did not want to be parished - we were already on the way to setting up a neighborhood plan area. However, having seen the detail in the Stage 3 consultation document, it seems we are going to be parished whether we like it or not. Consequently, we have put together a proposal to create an East Cliff and Springbourne Parish/Community Council - see attached document. We would rather have this solution than become a tiny part of the enormous Bournemouth Town Council We request that, should the Bournemouth Town Council solution go ahead, that you will provide for the setting up of the East Cliff and Springbourne council as outlined. If you have any questions, or need any further information to enable this scheme to go ahead, please don't hesitate to contact me. Best regards, [REDACTED]	Appendix 4	BH7 7AE	Mixed		East Cliff & Springbourne
19/06/25 18:12	Dear sirs Please accept this email as my view that I completely strongly disagree with the proposed changes for additional parish council I believe this is being done underhand without all BCP residents having a legal vote, as our May elections was moved to 2027. Why.? We currently have elected councillors in these positions who should be working for the people of BCP , if they cannot do this why then are they In this position. Why put in additional volunteers in place to be told what to do and say . I also reject that you are asking for me to agree to provide you with a blank cheque year on year.	-	BH17 7LU	Object	Yes	

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	Await your response. Your faithfully [REDACTED]					
20/06/25 13:14	Dear Sir or Madam, I've read the ECS Proposal submitted by Sara Armstrong and wish my agreement of her Proposal to be noted whilst the Council are collecting resident views. Yours faithfully [REDACTED]	-	BH8 8JT	Support		East Cliff & Springbourne
20/06/25 13:48	Dear Community Governance Review team, Please find attached written response to the Stage 3 Consultation, submitted on behalf of the Gervis Meyrick Estate. Yours Sincerely, [REDACTED]	Appendix 5	BH1 3AU	Object	Yes	
20/06/25 14:30	Hi, I am having difficulty accessing the consultation at present but can I please register my full support for the proposal. I believe more "local" councils will aid democratic engagement, help create an identity for the area and provide a platform for more community development. Best regards [REDACTED]	-		Support	Yes	
20/06/25 16:23	Dear Cllr Earl, Your proposals for Town and Parish Councils have been suggested to increase greater local and community involvement and governance, but that is precisely what we expect from our Ward councillors. Our councillors are available by either telephone or email and, in the case of Westbourne and West Cliff Ward, have been very helpful. Why anyone should want extra tiers in local government is beyond my understanding. You have given some costs on the CGR website, but these will doubtless rise over the years without residents necessarily being offered an improved service which in any case should be offered by the existing BCP Council within the scope of the current and future Council Tax. To offer an improved service, your officers should be encouraged or compelled to come back to their various council offices instead of working from home. How can your officers sufficiently offer the service required of them if they work in isolation from their fellow council employees? Working together in an office environment creates greater interaction between various groups leading to greater efficiency. There will then be no need for extra tiers of council tax resulting from the proposed Town and Parish Councils – one of the most ill-conceived means of extracting increased revenue from tax payers that I've come across for a very long time. I don't want a town or parish council in my area. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH4 8AD	Object	Yes	
20/06/25 18:56	If it's not broke don't mend it !!!! [REDACTED]	-	BH154QB	Object	Yes	
20/06/25 18:59	Dear Team, I feel that the extra layer of officialdom in local governance is not required, is an expense that should not be contemplated and makes a joke of amalgamation of the three unitary authorities making BCP.	-	BH1 4PN	Object	Yes	

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	I have read through the thoughtful comments made by my local councillor Sara Armstrong and would like to align myself with her thoughts, particularly as I am part of the working group for East Cliff and Springbourne Neighbourhood Forum group. Let's have some common sense in this rather than politicking! Kind regards, [REDACTED]					
21/06/25 07:05	Hello, have found it difficult to register/complete this survey but wanted to register an opinion about this huge issue that seems to not be known about by residents or communicated fully by BCP as to how massive the impact could be. I work and live in EC&SB area and wanted to register that I fundamentally disagree with the idea of creating town/parish councils. The proposal of cherrypicked areas having their own to represent residents then Bournemouth Town consisting of a huge swathe of wards and areas no-one stands in does not fill me with hope that any of these areas will be fairly represented and it seems a huge waste of money. BCP should develop its work with communities and how it responds and listens to them and builds relationships rather than creating another administrative layer with more councillors, cost, etc. And what of the areas that have Neighbourhood plans, groups or forums in place or worked hard on with residents already? Our ward's is with Planning currently - are these honoured under the new proposals? No-one seems to know. Many thanks [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
21/06/25 08:50	Good morning, I was under the impression that the main idea behind the formation of BCP was to simplify the whole system and save money. It would appear to me that this plan will bring in another layer of bureaucracy to complicate matters, duplicate other matters and generally cost more money. It also appears to me that whatever these new councils will be doing is already being done by well paid BCP councillors. So, if it ain't broke..... Regards, [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
21/06/25 08:54	I wish to retain the current system of the 5 Parish Councils & Charter Trustees. I am not in favour of introducing new town Councils. Reason,it is not necessary, too bureaucratic & too costly	-		Object	Yes	
21/06/25 09:19	Good Morning Unable to open online survey I am in favour of town council [REDACTED]	-	BH6 4AX	Support	Yes	
21/06/25 11:21	I am not in favour of the creation of further town council in Southbourne for the following reasons: 1. A further layer of administration is being added in some places and possibly not others making our governance less coherent. 2. We are adding an additional level of bureaucracy thus increasing costs.. 3. It is likely that any election of town councillors would be on a very small turnout given the pattern of voting in recent elections and this would render the council unrepresentative.. 4. Those having the time and inclination to stand for election are unlikely to be representative of the area's demographic. 5. At a time when many poorer households are facing a cost-of-living crisis the additional charge on council tax would be an unwelcome burden. Kind Regards [REDACTED]	-		Object		Southbourne

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21/06/25 13:09	Dear Sir/Madam, I am writing to express my disapproval of the proposals to establish new parish, town, and community councils throughout Bournemouth and Poole. My main concern lies with the inevitable increase in costs that these new councils would bring about. I anticipate that the creation of these entities will necessitate significant additional expenditure, which I believe is not in the best interest of our community at this time. Furthermore, I am also concerned about the necessity for additional civil servant roles to adequately support the operational needs of these new councils. This expansion of administrative staff would further contribute to the overall financial burden. Regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH12 1NW	Object	Yes	
21/06/25 15:33	Dear All I am writing to raise urgent concerns about the Community Governance Review currently being run by BCP Council that ends at 11:59pm on Sunday. Community Governance Review Consultation Survey Have Your Say Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole <https://haveyoursay.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/cgr-consultation/surveys/cgr-consultation-survey> I also seek clarity regarding achieving the numbers necessary to call for a reorganisation order to be applied for, in it's current form. Creating own council <https://www.nalc.gov.uk/campaigns/creating-your-own-council.html> I would also like to respond to the various emails I've received and make my position absolutely clear. My key point is this: Residents in East Cliff and Springbourne must be given the opportunity to choose how our area is governed and this is what is at the heart of this proposal, not sowing division or adding to inequality. For over two years, we have been working hard to develop a Neighbourhood Area, Forum and Plan, in line with the guidance of the Localism Act 2011. This implies a level of community engagement and support for increased decision making and influence within it's own neighbourhood. There have been 4 applications made to designate an area. I believe that this is why no alternative proposals were submitted at the earlier consultation stage in this review — because a community-led, legally supported model was already underway and that this a very important factor that sets our area apart from other parts of BCP. Now, we face the possibility of being absorbed into a much larger Bournemouth Town Council, which would not reflect our local identity or the hard work and progress made to date by residents and businesses in the area. That's why, I am submitting a revised proposal for consideration — calling for a dedicated East Cliff and Springbourne Community Council to be offered as a distinct alternative to residents, but only if parishing is to be imposed upon us. Obviously, if this proposal goes ahead for consideration, the will of our residents should be the deciding factor here – not political expediency. Currently this option is not even on the table. Given the unique situation in East Cliff and Springbourne – I believe it should be. If there is no support amongst the wider population in East Cliff and Springbourne for their own council, then so be it – at least people will have had the chance to make an informed choice. To be absolutely clear: My preferred outcome remains a no to Bournemouth Town Council and only to support communities who really want this type of governance framework in place for them, and to allow our neighbourhood planning work to continue and run it's course. However, if parishing is to happen, residents must be given a real choice — not be bundled into a Bournemouth-wide, leftovers overs model by default, that has no support. Here's what I believe my community wants:	Appendix 4		Mixed		East Cliff & Springbourne

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	No appetite for increased council tax or unnecessary bureaucracy Clear appetite for more local say in: * Planning and development * Protection of green spaces * Clean, safe streets * Tourism and our local economy * Community cohesion, connection and pride in our local area This revised proposal outlines a simple approach: 10 councillors - Shared administration across the ward - Bi-monthly hybrid meetings - Grounded in existing community engagement Please accept this email and attached as part of my contribution to the consultation. Kind regards, Cllr Sara Armstrong East Cliff & Springbourne Ward					
21/06/25 16:38	To whom it may concern I am very much against the parish town council idea. The increased cost will add little to no value. This is a very bad idea does not have my support Kind Regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7DN	Object	Yes	
21/06/25 18:09	Dear Sara I am a little surprised to receive this because, as you know, the other ward councillors in East Cliff & Springbourne do not support this proposal. Residents here have the same opportunity as everyone else to submit a response to the Community Governance Review. A council this small would have no power, impact or influence over tourism, the local economy or public safety. Further, it would be a matter for any new council, and not for the authors of this document, to determine its meeting arrangements. However, you may be correct in your assertion that there is no appetite for increased council tax or additional bureaucracy, but the latter is exactly what this proposal does. Given all the other challenges BCP face the creation of new Town & Parish Councils feels like an unnecessary distraction and I very much hope that when final proposals come before Council that we decide to leave Bournemouth alone. Cllr Patrick Canavan Boscombe West Ward Labour Group Leader Bournemouth Christchurch & Poole Council	-		Object		East Cliff & Springbourne
21/06/25 18:49	Hi I couldn't seem to access the consultation. I cannot fathom having merced as one council why you want town councils. Either demerge or leave as is. It's more work, more beauxracy and you simply haven't set out any benefits to there being town councils. Councils will cherry pick and there will be inequality.	-	BH14 0QH	Object	Yes	

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	That's before you factor in costs. We pay council tax, the place is a disgrace, its dirty and unattractive. You have sold off what you can and you are using this to generate more funds that we cannot afford to save you going bankrupt. No one wants it and even if you do it bankruptcy is inevitable unless you get proper funding from Government so lobby them not us. Regards [REDACTED]					
21/06/25 19:12	Dear Cllr Canavan Thank you for your email - I am pleased you appear to agree that parishing BCP is not a good idea. However, I am confused about your assertion that "a council this small would have no power." The consultation documents includes these figures: * Hurn Parish has a projected electorate of 596 in 2030 * Highcliffe and Walkford has a projected electorate of 11946 in 2030 * Throop and Holdenhurst has a projected electorate of 595 in 2030 * Broadstone has a projected electorate of 8960 in 2030 * Redhill and Northbourne has a projected electorate of 7734 in 2030 * Boscombe and Pokesdown has a projected electorate of 16471 in 2030 * Southbourne and Tuckton has a projected electorate of 15220 in 2030 These numbers proposed for other areas don't suggest that the numbers for the proposed EC&S ward are out of the norm. Could you please explain why a projected electorate of 10519 for East Cliff and Springbourne in 2030 would be 'too small'? I'm quite confused... Best regards, [REDACTED]	-	BH7 7AE	Mixed		East Cliff & Springbourne
21/06/25 20:55	Hello I don't think it's a good idea to create new parish or town councils across the BCP area, due to the following reasons - Unnecessary bureaucracy - it will add an additional layer of local government, adding complexity for residents already concerned about which level of government is responsible for which services. It risks further confusing the situation and local accountability. Lack of demand - there is no need to introduce new structures alongside the current system. Cost to residents - people are already struggling with the cost of living, introducing new councils would likely result in additional council tax precepts. The financial burden would come without any clear benefit to the community. Unequal impact on services - devolving responsibilities to smaller councils risks widening inequalities. Wealthier areas may see better service provision due to higher precept income, while less affluent communities could face declining service quality. Councils may use proposals to facilitate the transfer of public assets and services to newly formed councils, a common practice among local authorities looking to reduce spending. It risks leaving under resourced councils unable to maintain services or facilities. Long established councils may have the capacity to manage assets but new councils will not have the same financial resilience or revenue options. These are the reasons why I don't think it's a good idea to create new town or parish councils for the BCP area.	-		Object	Yes	

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	Regards [REDACTED]					
21/06/25 20:59	Sirs My vote is for an emphatic no. We do not require another tier of beauracy with little or no power. No No No Regards [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
21/06/25 21:51	Hi, My observations and comments are as follows: 1). The Boundaries Commission redefined the local Wards and designated the required number of Councillors for each Ward. The Boundaries Commission is staffed by full time professional staff who work independently of any political party. Why do BCP Councillors know better than the Commission? 2). Not all presently elected Councillors advertise their latest/current surgery times. If these were more readily available would this not provide the means for more people to have their say? 3). Councillors I have spoken with, who run surgeries, say that generally speaking no one attends them. 4). Can BCP produce details of numbers attending Councillors surgeries? 5). How will additional levels of government improve, not theoretically, but actually, the present situation as defined by BCP. 6). Why did we elect the present BCP councillors if they now claim that they cannot do the work they were elected to achieve? Many thanks [REDACTED]	-		Object	Yes	
22/06/25 02:47	I would like to register my objection, as a resident of Southbourne I have looked at the Consultation for the Community Governance Review that is proposing to create town councils in our area for Boscombe & Pokesdown and for Southbourne. Basically: 1. I am against splitting Bournemouth up into a bunch of smaller councils. I don't think we should be broken up this way, I think it's expensive, inefficient, undemocratic and reinforces inequalities. 2. We don't know how much a town council would cost - it may do little and cost little, or do a lot and cost a lot. I love our area, and Southbourne Grove, and think what makes it thrive is the mix of the ages, backgrounds and incomes of the people who work and shop there. Plenty of residents don't have much cash to spare and I worry even a small council tax precept would price out long-term residents. I would hate to see the community character change as a result and the area only affordable to the wealthy. 3. I don't think the boundary between Southbourne and Boscombe & Pokesdown is the right one, and I can't see a way to make it better. It goes right through the middle of our area, down Fisherman's Walk and Beaufort Road. People either side use the same shops, same green spaces and same facilities. It makes no sense to me for services to be split between two councils. Two sets of councillors, different council tax, different services. People should have a voice in decisions about the things happening right on their doorstep. For me, if the boundary isn't right, then the proposal isn't right. This is my view which I am registering before the consultation cut-off.	-	BH6 3BB	Object		Southbourne and Boscombe & Pokesdown

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	[REDACTED]					
22/06/25 08:31	Dear Millie I am writing to you and asking you to forward my position on to the Councillors who will be deciding about LGR. This is a copy of an email I sent to a local resident of EC & S ward, regarding her desire for a parish of our ward, which is very much a divided ward of two halves. I have represented this ward for nearly 25 years and I am absolutely against East Cliff & Springbourne forming a parish. I know there is little appetite for this step amongst most residents and one of my ward colleagues. I would support our ward, if a choice has to be made, being part of the Town Council, as we have many communities of interest with other wards. My absolute preference would be for none of this to happen!!! Kind regards Anne Filer East Cliff & Springbourne Ward anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk <mailto:anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk> From: Councillor Anne Filer Sent: 21 June 2025 09:11 To: REDACTED Cc: Councillor Sara Armstrong <Sara.Armstrong@bcpcouncil.gov.uk>; Councillor Anne-Marie Moriarty <Anne-Marie.Moriarty@bcpcouncil.gov.uk>; REDACTED; REDACTED; REDACTED Subject: RE: Final Proposal Document is Attached Dear REDACTED I have thought long and hard about this, agonised more than I have about anything Council related for many years. And, unfortunately, I am unable to support this proposal. I am in awe of the huge amount of detailed work you have put into this document, and appreciate how passionate you are about it. I would definitely prefer that nothing happen. We have only just been through the huge upheaval of the merger of the three councils to become BCP, the consultation is extremely poor and inaccessible to a great many people, and the implications are not set out properly, especially the financial implications, which are not to be considered! But I believe that, regardless of any responses from residents, it has been decided that change is going to happen and I also believe that whatever that change is must be for the best for our ward and for the whole of Bournemouth. My main concerns are 1. I believe that fragmenting our town into many different parishes will create enormous inequalities. The parish councillors in Boscombe, for example, might come to completely different decisions about the level of street cleaning, park maintenance, etc. from their neighbouring parish of Southbourne or East Cliff & Springbourne. Through the Mayoralty, I have seen what a connected and caring community Bournemouth is, and I don't want this fragmentation, I think we need unity. 2. I don't believe that East Cliff & Springbourne is big enough to support a parish council – our population is very diverse, a large number of people are not permanent residents, others live here for a while and then move on when their work contracts come to an end; many residents come from other countries and have little knowledge of how our political systems work, and I consider the imbalance of councillor representation between the two “halves” of the ward is unacceptable.	-		Object	Yes	

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	3. I don't believe that creating a parish council in our ward will be the best for all our residents – our synergies and problems and needs surely lie with other coastal areas like West Cliff and Central Ward. We will have a better chance of achieving what we need by being part of the larger Town Council than by being a tiny parish on our own. So, regretfully, I must disappoint you and Sara and will express my opposition as part of the consultation. Kind regards Anne Anne Filer East Cliff & Springbourne Ward anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk <mailto:anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk> From: REDACTED Sent: 18 June 2025 16:05 To: Councillor Sara Armstrong <Sara.Armstrong@bcpcouncil.gov.uk <mailto:Sara.Armstrong@bcpcouncil.gov.uk>; Councillor Anne Filer <anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk <mailto:anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk>; Councillor Anne-Marie Moriarty <Anne-Marie.Moriarty@bcpcouncil.gov.uk <mailto:Anne-Marie.Moriarty@bcpcouncil.gov.uk> Subject: Final Proposal Document is Attached Hello all Final version - slight change to paragraph 3.3 explaining the number of councillors should we fall into BTC REDACTED					
22/06/25 09:10	Please take this as notice that I am utterly opposed to the concept of a parish council, it is just another way to tax residents & another layer of red tape. As a life long resident of Poole I am already more than annoyed & disappointed at the demise of the town I grew up in since the merger of BCP, I cannot stand by & watch a further demise of Poole based on this ludicrous idea of a parish council. My address is [REDACTED] should you wish to reply feel free to contact me via email or at the address stated. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH17 8BU	Object		Poole Town
22/06/25 10:13	My husband are against the idea of setting up town councils. It was only recently you set up BCP council by merging the three councils with idea that this would improve services for us all. Why now should we need to disperse these services and make lots of different town councils. It would not promote a joined up service just make things more difficult. Better planning and management of BCP council would make things better. It is No from us. [REDACTED]	-	BH15 4NS	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 11:36	Sirs I am writing to say that I am against the proposal to introduce BCP parish/ town councils. The costs and benefits have not been described to any worthwhile extent nor have the powers and responsibilities of this extra layer of beauacracy been defined. I would, however, be fully in favour of disbanding BCP and reverting to separate councils. Yours [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7TD	Object	Yes	

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22/06/25 11:46	[REDACTED] No consultation Council currently does what it wants No one consulted only find out when the bills come through the door. Please no more councillors haven't seen a Councillor at my property in the 30 years I have lived here so why would I want anymore. I am a pensioner hard enough paying my bills without adding unnecessary ones	-	BH17 7LZ	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 15:00	Dear sir/madame, I'm opposed to being in a Parish Council, or a Community Council, or a Town Council. And everyday Services should be provisioned by the established BCP Council. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH5 1NN	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 15:43	My name is [REDACTED] I am writing to object to this proposal on the following grounds. Another layer of decision making and communication will be confusing to residents and staff. This has already been seen to be an inefficient model within the multiple layer approach of the NHS. It is wasteful to the public purse, and stymies innovation - going against the principles of lean services when many departments of the council are still not successfully harmonised from the joining of BCP. The promised savings and investment bids that the "city by the sea" was going to achieve are yet to yield themselves. No detail has been included on which services will be provided locally, or even the benefits of doing so. Smaller parishes in more affluent areas such as Broadstone, will be able to afford to cherry pick their services, so greater inequality is highly likely to be a result across the BCP area. Whilst the NHS STP and STB's are working to reduce inequalities, this move is not going to be working in collaboration or partnership but further muddy the waters and increase miscommunications and poor decision making across the board. The costs of organising and running these extra functions are going to be higher, at a time when residents are already facing rising bills and inflation beyond their means. We cannot afford or need yet another layer of taxation. I look forward to hearing the results of this consultation. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7XE	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 16:25	I strongly oppose your proposal for parish and town councils. This is due to increased costs, the exact amount of which are unknown. Furthermore I don't want an extra council tax bill each year where the annual increases are not capped. Your consultation is not inline with Gunning principles, the second of which is we need to be given sufficient information. You haven't given us precise figures as to how much your proposal will cost us. Your proposal will lead to further unnecessary bureaucracy which is confusing. Moreover, you will be able to cherry pick what you do which will lead to inequality of potential services provided. Kind regards [REDACTED]	-	BH17 7AR	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 17:36	To whom it may concern I think the proposal looks sensible, well-conceived, and would be the logical approach for the area (perhaps with some discussion with Boscombe over the more ambiguous areas). Although I feel I should say more the proposal really says it all. Best regards [REDACTED]	-	BH1 4QJ	Support		East Cliff & Springbourne

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22/06/25 17:59	Hi Sara, Thanks for sharing this. I think this is the most important paragraph that you have mentioned here 'This would respect the wishes of the communities within it, preserve, protect and build on the work that has already been done on the Neighbourhood Forum and Plan to realise our own ambitions as a community. ' I know that everyone has worked tirelessly on the Neighbourhood Plan and the creation of the 'Friends of Eastcliff' group has only just been created. It would be a shame for either of these to be lost, especially as the residents feel the area needs improving and the funding that we have already accumulated to support the area and several charities that will benefit from the funds. You are perfectly right in this paragraph, 'Council rather than have the area subsumed by the extremely large alternative of Bournemouth Town Council where the community's needs may get lost amongst the clamorous entreaties from other areas of the conurbation. It sets out a community led alternative to the creation of a single, large Bournemouth Town Council' Eastcliff and Springbourne has its own share of challenging problems. There is already enough to work through and if we were to join with the rest of Bournemouth this will only enhance the current issues. I do fully believe as do many residents we need to work on our own ward and deal with the current issues and move forward with the Neighbourhood Plan. Many thanks, REDACTED	-				East Cliff & Springbourne
22/06/25 18:05	My response to the recommendations is YES to setting up a town council for Poole. I think it will be good for Poole to be represented in its own right so that residents have more say in what happens in Poole. I am a resident in Merley at [REDACTED] and my name is [REDACTED] P.S. I would like to have done the online survey, but I couldn't login. I never received the email to change my password and when I tried to reregister, my email address wasn't accepted. It has been a very frustrating and time consuming process. I think this may have put many people off responding.	-	BH21 1RT	Support		Poole Town
22/06/25 18:28	Dear Sir/Madam, As a ward councillor and resident of Kinson, I feel it's important to share my concerns which also reflect views of many residents I've spoken to in Kinson. With Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole having gone through the major change of Local Government Re-organisation (LGR) just 6 years ago, I have heard of no appetite to go through another lengthy process of introducing additional layers of governance. Residents just want BCP Council to get on with providing the services they expect to receive and already pay for via their existing Council Tax. However, we are told these new proposed Town and Parish councils are a cure to fund services the current administration has cut or plan to cut in future. In the neighbouring ward of Redhill & Northbourne, it has been suggested an additional precept for a brand-new Parish council will pay for the running of Redhill Park paddling pool. Then on social media someone said that it could pay for Bournemouth Air Festival. What else could this additional precept pay towards? Arts By the Sea (another popular family friendly event to be axed)?	-		Object	Yes	

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	There are these suggestions, yet we are also told Parish and Town Councils have a small remit with a minimal precept but in truth it's down to those councils themselves to set a budget and precept. This could lead to inequality across the BCP area, with wealthier areas such as Broadstone and Southbourne raising a higher precept and thus funding better facilities than for instance Kinson or Creekmoor. Also, adding an additional layer of governance will complicate the system. How will residents know where to direct their concerns if there will be all these new Parish and Town councillors? From the feedback I've received from residents they don't want to pay more for the same services they have been receiving and ultimately want BCP Council to get on with doing what they expect. Most residents are keen to see a restoration of pride in our local area and not keen on wasting money on cycle lane schemes. I strongly urge that the idea of new additional councils is postponed, so that residents have the democratic choice to vote for or against in the 2027 Local Elections. Kind regards Councillor Duane Farr Kinson ward - Conservative					
22/06/25 19:38	A split personality approach to politics This year marks the 140th anniversary of Robert Louis Stevenson writing The Strange Case of Jekyll and Hyde. He wrote it in 1885 as he lived in Skerryvore, a spooky looking villa at the head of Alum Chine in Westbourne. The literary legend even took inspiration from the area for the name of one character—Poole the butler. At the core of Stevenson's story is the corrosive nature of being haunted by a double who mirrors your every move. I was reminded of this spectre when I came upon the suggestion for a series of town, parish, and community councils in the BCP area. There's an ancient expression, beware of your remedies—they may be worse than the original malady. Whatever the short-comings of Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole Council, it seems odd that the cure lies in creating a double. The area is already served by 76 councillors. Are we going to benefit from doubling the number and having a wasteful second tier? I'm really suspicious as to why this idea for a parallel set of councils was proposed. Who will gain from this political fragmentation? Will voters benefit from the extra expense? When BCP Council was formed the hope was a unitary authority would provide clarity. One council would be a lean and efficient way to deal with local government. The beauty of BCP is there is a logic to being a unified whole. We live in a conurbation, so merging the councils made sense. The plans for parish and town councils embrace fragmentation. Areas which have a lot in common would be served by different councils. For example, Poole town council would be separate to Broadstone parish council. I have faith that the existing BCP councillors can serve the community, without the need for this elaborate duplication. Yet someone, somewhere, has decided that one way to achieve more goals is to have two footballs on the pitch. The plan for parish and town councils will create a Dr Jekyll to BCP's Mr Hyde. It will be a horror story.	-		Object	Yes	
22/06/25 20:35	To Whom it May Concern I'm opposed to my area being in a Parish Council, a Community Council, or a Town Council.	-	BH5 2AT	Object	Yes	

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	I would add that everyday services should be provisioned by the established BCP Council. What a complete waste of time and money as well as creating a deprived area out of the Pokesdown and Boscombe community. Even the conservatives didn't stoop this low. [REDACTED]					
22/06/25 20:40	Dear sir/madame, I'm opposed to being in a Parish Council, or a Community Council, or a Town Council. And everyday Services should be provisioned by the established BCP Council. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH5 1NN	Object	Yes	
22/06/25 20:46	Dear Millie, With regard to the community Governance Review, we would be grateful if you would consider the following points with regard to Queen's Park & Charminster. The area currently has a successful local governance model in the form of the Queen's Park & Charminster Community Forum. It is an existing, grass roots, community group, operating according to the Localism Act (2011), with well-defined boundaries that have been consulted on. The boundaries include our green spaces, retail centre, heritage buildings and residential neighbourhoods. Considerable time, effort and expense has been put into the development of a draft Neighbourhood Plan that will be going out for consultation shortly. This will make the forum a statutory consultee for planning decisions and secure additional CIL funding at the closest point to where development takes place. While a town council could co-opt the Neighbourhood Plan, without a forum to ensure continuity we would fear that it would fall by the wayside at the end of its five-year term and not be renewed. The forum also operates a community charity which has been able to secure nearly £100,000 in grant funding in the past year. These funds are being used to repair, regenerate and upgrade our playparks, green spaces and recreation offers, as well as launching community initiatives to tackle fly tipping, graffiti and more. The forum works at the most granular community level for practically no cost to residents, without the need for expensive administration, additional council tax precept or a new layer of elected bureaucracy. The currently proposed Bournemouth Town Council was not arrived at by consultation from the communities within that area, instead it seems to be acting as a kind of "catch all" for the areas of Bournemouth that sit outside the community generated proposals from the first round of consultations. No submissions were made from our area and there remains no appetite for parish councils in this part of Bournemouth. We would urge the administration to allow our successful model of community governance to continue to deliver for its community and not be subsumed into a town council that is not supported by the residents who live here. Yours sincerely, Cllr Sharon Carr-Brown Cllr Alasdair Keddie	-		Object	Yes	
22/06/25 20:57	I am responding to the consultation in my capacity as a local Councillor, but also as a Bournemouth resident. I strongly disagree with each proposal for a new town and parish council, however especially against those considered for Bournemouth. This is not a party political concern as some have sought to suggest on social media particularly, but one that mirrors concerns shared by Bournemouth Councillors and MPs of all political colours and none (I understand as well as Conservatives, the majority of the Bournemouth Labour Group, many of the Bournemouth Greens, several unaligned Councillors and both Members of Parliament are against these proposals for good reasons).	-		Object		All

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	These proposals will lead to increased bureaucracy, with costs especially for staff being duplicated. The mere formation of these Councils will add potentially hundreds of thousands of costs onto residents. With the enforced devolution they will also introduce several tiers of local authority, creating confusion and may even reduce local decision making - with many parish councils struggling to have competitive elections it may well be the case that individuals who put themselves forward will be appointed by default who are making decisions, rather than the existing councillors who are accountable to the electorate. I would also like to put on record my concerns about the fact that many in power have strongly signalled that the results of this consultation may be completely disregarded - I would strongly urge each of us making the decisions following this consultation to strongly consider the damage that ignoring the results would do the legitimacy of this council. I for one would struggle to look my residents in the eye and encourage them to submit their views on any other council proposal that goes to consultation. I hope the proposals for any changes are rejected in their entirety. I am responding by email rather than completing the consultation, as I agree with the many residents who have found the consultation document itself convoluted, confusing, difficult to register for. Many residents have expressed concern that this is by design to stifle responses, however having not designed the consultation I am of course unable to comment on this point. Thank you Cllr Cameron Adams Kinson & West Howe					
637 22/06/25 21:00	I object to this proposal as we do not need another layer of administration for areas that should automatically be covered by the current structure. There is also a BIG question mark over the cost of implementation of this new proposed structure. It is NOT necessary and is a stealthy way of getting more money from council tax payers. [REDACTED] Broadstone	-		Object	Yes	
22/06/25 22:15	I strongly disagree as a resident of Poole/Creekmoor with all the questions on the online/paper survey A to H I strongly disagree as a Cllr on behalf of my residents with all the questions on the online/paper survey A to H I have had substantial representations made to me by my residents, against the proposals for a Poole Town Council, being the area of which Creekmoor would be included For the following reasons; Opposition to the Introduction of Town and Parish Councils in Bournemouth and Poole I oppose the proposed introduction of Town and Parish Councils in Bournemouth and Poole on behalf of my residents and myself on the grounds of serious procedural, democratic, and practical concerns. This initiative, far from empowering local residents, represents an opaque and divisive restructuring of local governance, pursued without public mandate, adequate scrutiny, or fiscal clarity. It risks fragmenting services, deepening inequalities, and undermining local trust. 1. Manufactured Demand and Misframed Necessity The proposal appears less a response to community demand and more a politically engineered project. Despite repeated assertions that Town and Parish Councils are a natural progression or even a governmental requirement, the facts speak otherwise. The relevant central government guidance is just that guidance, not mandate. The discretionary power to initiate this Governance Review lies entirely with BCP Council leadership. To date, no convincing evidence has been provided that there exists any significant, organic call from residents for these additional tiers of government. The narrative of a community-driven need, lacks	-	BH17 7TD	Object	Yes	

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	foundation, instead, this has the clear appearance of a top-down imposition, with all our communities rights trailing behind a politically motivated initiative. 2. Questionable Democratic Legitimacy and Politicised Framing Cllr Millie Earl, Leader of BCP Council, has publicly stated: “It is the democratic right of those who are elected to deliver THEIR mandate, and as Lib Dems, WE campaigned quite a lot on delivering Community and Town Councils.” However, scrutiny of that claim reveals a striking disconnect. The term “Community Councils” featured only fleetingly and vaguely in one election leaflet, buried in small print, undefined, unexplained, and never subject to public deliberation or widespread understanding. To characterise this as a democratic mandate stretches the term beyond credibility. The issue at hand is not the fulfilment of an electoral promise, but the strategic invocation of discretionary powers. By conflating a barely acknowledged campaign line with full democratic authorisation, the Council's leadership risks presenting assumption as consent. More troublingly, Cllr Earl has made clear her intention to press forward with these plans regardless of public opposition. This effectively reframes governance as imposition rather than representation. The community's voice is being treated as a procedural formality, not a central democratic determinant. Which narrative are we being asked to accept: that this initiative is an act of mandate fulfilment, or a discretionary political choice to empower residents under the Localism agenda? Both cannot simultaneously be true. In truth, what we are witnessing is the deliberate use of governmental guidance to push through a structural change that conveniently enables new taxation powers, via uncapped precepts, during a time of acute BCP Council budgetary challenges. This approach appears designed less to reform and more to impose further financial Council Tax demands on all residents without political accountability. 3. Lack of Transparency and a Skewed Consultative Environment Transparency, an essential feature of democratic reform has been sorely lacking. Key elements of the proposed arrangements, including the scope of services and likely costs, remain frustratingly vague. Residents have been asked to endorse a framework that is more aspiration than plan. Worryingly, BCP communications have strayed from neutral presentation into persuasive advocacy. Promotional content has included statements such as: “Bournemouth and Poole residents one step closer to having greater influence on local issues.” This is not a headline it is a presumption. It creates the impression that the decision is all but settled, subtly steering public perception towards acceptance. Such language erodes the integrity of any claimed impartial consultation process and undercuts confidence in the Council's commitment to listen. 4. Risk of Service Inequity and Community Tension The proposed system would permit each Town or Parish Council to choose which non-statutory services it wishes to deliver. This inevitably risks creating a postcode lottery of provision wherein residents of neighbouring Parish and Town Councils doing nothing other than the statutory obligated services as stated publicly by Cllr Andy Martin, receive unequal services based purely on their local council's funding choices or priorities. Cllr Mike Cox has candidly acknowledged that BCP can no longer afford to provide many non-statutory services. If this is the rationale for devolving them, the likely result is a stark disparity, as stated above some Parish/Town Councils may take on services, others may not. Communities able to absorb higher precepts may retain amenities, others may lose them altogether. This raises serious concerns around equity, fairness, and social cohesion.					

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	What is being presented as "local empowerment" may in practice become fragmented governance, deepening divisions rather than addressing them. 5. Financial Ambiguity and Regressive Taxation Town and Parish Councils can raise council tax via uncapped precepts, yet residents have not been provided with even a range of potential costs. The literature accompanying the consultation references only minimal comparative figures, omitting worst-case or median estimates entirely. If the smallest plausible figures can be shared to promote support, then the refusal to share more realistic or upper-bound figures appears strategic and, frankly, disingenuous. At a time when many families face the most severe cost-of-living pressures in a generation, asking them to accept an undefined financial burden for unspecified services is both ethically questionable and fiscally irresponsible. 6. Added Bureaucracy and Obscured Accountability This plan proposes an extra layer of local governance, effectively massively multiplying the number of Cllrs involved in local decision-making. Far from clarifying roles and responsibilities, this added complexity risks deepening the very confusion residents already experience about who does what, and who is accountable. Rather than addressing the governance challenges faced by BCP, this proposal risks replicating them in miniature, creating 6 smaller entities with variable resources, unclear remits, and untested capacity. Conclusion: Democratic Overreach Disguised as Localism This proposal is neither locally demanded nor transparently presented. It is not a reform borne of community vision, but one pursued through political discretion and dressed in the language of empowerment. The governance review process has been initiated not in response to residents requests/needs, but as a vehicle for revenue redistribution and political legacy with residents expected to carry the unknown costs. The process has been strategically structured, communicatively biased, and substantively opaque. Far from enhancing democratic engagement, it risks undermining it, replacing a meaningful community voice with procedural tokenism. I therefore urge BCP Council to abandon this process and re-centre the conversation on the people it claims to empower. Let us focus not on new bureaucracies, but on strengthening the structures we already have and make BCP Council work. Let us be honest about the financial realities and courageous enough to face them transparently, not obscure them through technical manoeuvre. This is not the right reform, not the right time, and not the right method. [REDACTED]					
22/06/25 22:59	Hello BCP My details: [REDACTED] Council area: Southbourne I am struggling to make sense of some of the detail. Not sure about quite a few points. I suspect most constituents won't really know much of what's going on with this. I am provisionally in favour of an elected local council, but this is primarily because I was deeply alarmed that an unelected neighbourhood forum might apply and be accepted to 'shape' policy for my area, introducing policies by referendum with hardly anybody bothering to vote (eg re neighbourhood plan) which I would strongly disagree with. Its all very well having unpaid volunteers but will they have the energy and committment.	-	BH6 4DT	Support		Southbourne

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640	I hear you want non-political voluteers, but I think party people are safer because they have to consider how their party will fare as resuklt of their actions - and there is more chance of competing policies being offered pre-election. With volunteers you can get a lot of unrepresentaive activists and zealots. You should be able to reject a candidate you disagree with. Candidates must publicise their main policy interest before poll. Dont understand the block voting system...is that what it will be?. I really dislike calling it a 'community' council. This is a loaded term. It should be Southbourne Council or Southbourne Town Council (like Broadstone Town Council). 'community council' sounds awful and carries no weight - Town is redolent of firm foundations tradition, stability, civic participationn and civic history. What is meant by "in the style of a town or community etc council" - are there differences? Non-discretionary statutory duties: only Neighbour Plan it seems: candidates must be clear explicit and comprehensive in full disclosure of their policy intentionds/activism..else be 'impeachable' or similar if trying to implement policies not clearly and unequivocally presentede pre-election. Discretionary duties: candidates publicise their intentions/viewpoints/concerns/activist leanings in all these areas also. I believe the draft propsals points should not be implemented for reasons given above: (d) the style of the parish of Southbourne be set as a community It should be set as a Town (e) the parish should have a parish council in the style of community council It should be in the style of a Town (or anything other than 'community' (f) the name of the community council should be Southbourne Community Council It must be Southbourne Town Council or Southbourne Council Preferable for me if it party political candidates get involved. Cost: probably ok but my E band ctax is already about 15% of my income so I think makes me not too well off really. Whatever happens - no no no to any unelected neighbour forum taking charge. But worried that if few candidates with this propasal it may end being almost as bad More to say/ask but no time. Regards, [REDACTED]					
23/06/25 10:33	Re: The above. Strong local residents' associations in the BCP area (similar to TVRA) can achieve results without additional bureaucracy and primarily extra costs. Thus any local issues are dealt with Swiftly, Cost effectively and without any external influence. Regards [REDACTED]	-	BH12 5HE	Object	Yes	



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Our Ref: TH05497

2 December 2024

Dear Millie and Graham,

Re: Community Governance Review

I am writing regarding the Community Governance Review of BCP Council area. I have serious concerns about the introduction of additional town or parish councils.

I am writing as the Member of Parliament for Bournemouth East and, to that end, I am particularly focused on our town's needs. I appreciate that local people, MPs, and councillors belonging to Christchurch and Poole may take different views and their different experiences are important to consider. As you will see in the letter, I really am motivated by the desire for our region to thrive and grow together.

The Council's creation and ongoing transformation has been difficult for the region because of the ways Conservatives have run things locally and nationally. While it will be the case that local government reorganisation continues in the longer-term, there are signs that the Council's position is strengthening. Supported by your local Members of Parliament and a new Government, the Council has a brighter future.

The Council is running out of money because the last Conservative Government short-changed our region on every front and the last Conservative leaders of the Council bungled the spending of the little money we received. There are money matters to resolve and I am fighting Bournemouth's corner with the Government, including recent meetings with local government ministers Jim McMahon MP and Baroness Taylor of Stevenage, the Transport and Education Secretaries, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

The new Government has already provided more money to BCP Council and to help local parents and guardians and schools with more money for SEND and education. The new government is providing more support for vulnerable people, health, and transportation needs, too.

As we have discussed at length, a new devolution deal, one of the kind that the Labour Government is offering to councils, could open the way to BCP Council taking on more control with additional powers and money.

With the Council's stability growing and new opportunities opening up, it would be wrong to go backwards. Adding more layers of bureaucracy, especially when this could involve citizens paying more council tax, would be a huge leap backwards.

Let us consider the prospect of the people of Bournemouth paying more in council tax. It's just wrong. Although town and parish councils do not have to raise a precept to fund services

that BCP Council might offload to them, they can't do much without raising a precept. Really, the only way town and parish councils could pay for the services they end up running, like parks, leisure centres, bin collections, and libraries, is by pushing local people's council tax up even higher.

At a time when people are rightly concerned about inequality in local services and the harm inequality does to people's life chances, BCP Council should not be creating yet more inequality in local services. The richer parts of BCP would have better services than poorer parts because these richer parts could levy a greater precept than the poorer parts.

Adding more councils would make it harder for people to hold their elected officials to account. Turnout at unitary council local elections is low. Town and parish and parish councils have truly abysmal turnouts. Adding another layer of politicians won't make life better for local people nor encourage them to have faith in local democracy.

I would not want the Council to draw the wrong conclusion from low turnout at recent local elections – this is not the result of a lack of democracy, this really is the result of a lack of faith in the ability of BCP Council to make life better following years of poor Conservative governance. With the creation of the new councils, it will be harder for BCP Council and these councils to work together and make our life better, so local people's faith in democracy will have no alternative but to drop yet again.

I urge the Council to get back to its original vision for the area – the idea that all three boroughs can do more together and are stronger together. Adding more councils and increasing council tax takes us away from this vision and makes life harder for many.

As a councillor for ten years, many of them in the cabinet and as a deputy leader, I have enormous respect for local government. One of my motivations for standing for Parliament was to give power and control to local government – it is this desire which explains why I wish to put powers and funding with BCP Council, not new councils.

In the nearly five months since I have been your MP, we, and your officers and senior councillors, have met many times on a range of issues. I value the relationship that we are building and believe we can achieve a lot for BCP.

I look forward to seeing you on Friday.

With kind regards,



Tom Hayes MP
Labour Member of Parliament for Bournemouth East

Submission to the BCP Council Community Governance Review

From: [REDACTED], Chair of the Talbot Village Residents' Association (TVRA)

Date: May 24th 2025

Dear Community Governance Review Committee,

As Chair of the Talbot Village Residents' Association, I am writing to formally respond on behalf of our residents. to BCP Council's ongoing Community Governance Review.

Firstly, the whole premise of the proposals is flawed. On the one hand it is argued that you cannot give any estimates of a likely precept because it would depend upon what powers the Town Council choose to take upon themselves. Yet the proposals put forward are supposed to bring about improved and stronger community engagement, more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective and convenient delivery of local services; ensuring electors across the whole area are treated equitably and fairly. That is entirely dependent upon what powers the Town Council chooses to adopt. If you don't know what powers are likely to be adopted, you cannot know whether it would meet your stated aims or not.

The draft recommendations document (Section 6.2) states that retaining the current arrangements *"would not deliver the enhanced community governance sought in the government guidance."* This assertion is unsubstantiated and disregards successful, existing models of community led governance, such as TVRA. Our residents' association already fosters community cohesion, collaboration with stakeholders and active democratic participation without the need for an additional governance layer.

Over the past several weeks, TVRA has undertaken extensive local consultation to gauge the views of Talbot Village residents regarding the introduction of parish or town councils. We have sought to provide a clear, balanced understanding of the possible implications and have encouraged active engagement from our community.

The results of this comprehensive consultation were unambiguous. The overwhelming majority of Talbot Village residents do not support the introduction of parish or town councils in our area. We do not believe that the proposals will bring about the stated aims, for the reasons set out below.

Our Engagement and Consultation Process

We have:

- * Shared clear explanations via social media platforms outlining the advantages and the disadvantages of introducing Parish and Town councils.
- Invited comments and feedback from residents across our digital platforms and mailing lists.
- Conducted a public poll to measure support or opposition within the community.

- Held an open community meeting, attended by all three ward councillors to allow residents to ask questions and share concerns directly.

Key Reasons for not supporting proposals

Residents raised numerous concerns and objections, which can be summarised as follows:

1. Additional Financial Burden

We strongly disagree with the contention that the level of council tax is not a determining factor for a Community Governance Review. It is unreasonable to expect us to sign up to an open ended financial commitment without clear limits or guarantees of value.

Introduction of parish or town councils would impose a new parish precept on residents, effectively increasing Council Tax bills. These costs are not capped and could rise year on year, with little or no control or meaningful accountability to local residents. There is deep concern that agreeing to parish councils now could open the door to BCP Council withdrawing services, expecting the Parish Council to take them on, placing the financial burden squarely on local residents through additional precepts. Residents do not wish to commit to a model where services currently provided as part of the standard Council Tax could be repackaged and recharged at a local level under the guise of "*local empowerment*."

2. Duplication of Services and Bureaucracy

Many residents feel that a new tier of local government would duplicate existing services already provided by BCP Council or local community groups. This will introduce unnecessary bureaucracy, slowing down decision making and increasing red tape.

3. Concerns Over Representation and Accountability

Parish councils are seen as potentially less transparent and accountable, with limited oversight and low electoral turnout. Residents question how well these councils would reflect the views of the wider community.

Section 4.7 and 6.3 of the BCP document refers to a "*democratic deficit*" in unparished areas. However, this is not supported by any evidence. In fact, low turnout, uncontested seats, and lack of engagement in parish elections elsewhere suggest that parish councils could worsen, rather than improve, democratic participation.

4. Fear of Fragmentation and Division

The proposals will lead to fragmentation of the wider community, creating artificial boundaries and weakening the collective identity of the area because the proposed Town Council boundaries are not co-incident with the BCP ward boundaries. For example the Talbot and Branksome Woods ward would be split between Bournemouth and Poole Town Councils. Apart from causing confusion as to responsibilities, it will lead to inequity between areas, particularly in terms of funding and service delivery.

This split is illustrated in Figure 3 of the draft recommendations. It clearly shows Talbot and Branksome Woods ward divided between two town councils. This directly contradicts the review's goals of community cohesion and clarity.

5. Satisfaction with Existing Local Engagement

TVRA already serves as a well established, active and effective platform for community engagement. Our partnership work with BCP Council including our local Councillors and other stakeholders has proven successful without the need for a formal parish structure.

6. Lack of Clarity on Powers and Benefits

What tangible powers would a Parish or Town Council actually hold and how those powers would benefit Talbot Village? There is a lack of clear evidence that parish councils would lead to meaningful improvements in local services or quality of life.

The review acknowledges (Section 6.2) that it cannot confirm what powers the proposed town councils will hold. It is contradictory to assert that these undefined powers will deliver stronger democratic outcomes or better services. A decision of this magnitude should not proceed without this basic clarity.

7. Risk of Political Entrenchment or Low Participation

Parish Council elections historically suffer from low voter turnout and in some cases, councillors are appointed unopposed. This risks creating insular bodies that may not represent the diversity or interests of the wider community. Without robust democratic participation, parish councils can become echo chambers or vehicles for special interests, rather than genuinely serving local needs.

8. Unclear Governance and Oversight Framework

Unlike BCP Council, Parish Councils do not benefit from the same level of scrutiny, standards committees, or access to professional officers for legal and policy guidance. This raises concerns about oversight, financial prudence and safeguarding, especially given that they would control public funds

9. Better Alternatives Already Exist for Community Empowerment

Rather than introducing a formal new tier of governance, better mechanisms for empowering communities already exist such as Community Interest Companies,

Neighbourhood Forums, or formalised Residents' Associations with delegated consultative powers. These can deliver local input and engagement without additional taxation or bureaucracy.

If the goal is enhanced community engagement, there is no need to replicate or replace structures that are already working. TVRA and similar groups across BCP have shown that grassroots initiatives can be highly effective without incurring new public costs.

10. Risk of Undermining Ward Councillors' Roles

Residents elect BOP ward councillors to represent their interests and oversee local issues. Introducing parish councils could confuse accountability and lead to tension or duplication between elected parish councillors and BCP ward councillors. For Talbot Village, this would be exacerbated by splitting the current BCP Council ward, making it difficult for BCP and Town Council's to work together. This dual-representation model risks reducing overall effectiveness.

11. The proposed Poole Town would have 42 Councillors, 17 wards and an electorate of almost 118,000. That is much too large “to bring about improved and stronger community engagement, more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective and convenient delivery of local services; ensuring electors across the whole area are treated equitably and fairly.” As stated in point no. 5, our current arrangements are better suited to achieving those aims.

The scale of the proposed Poole Town Council, as outlined in section 6.3.5, makes it larger than many full district councils. A 42-member body spanning approx 118,000 residents is unlikely to foster the close-knit engagement and community identity that the review claims to promote.

Conclusion and Request

In light of the above and as a result of our inclusive and transparent consultation process, the residents of Talbot Village oppose the formation of a Parish or Town Council for our area.

While section 6.1.1 of the draft review suggests there have been “*requests from residents*” for new parish councils, this has not been the case in Talbot Village. Our consultation evidence points in the opposite direction, with clear, consistent opposition from the majority of local residents.

We urge BCP Council to recognise the clear will of our community and to respect the outcome of this-grassroots consultation. We recommend that no changes be made to our current governance arrangements at this time.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,



Chair, Talbot Village Residents' Association

To: The Community Governance Review Committee
Subject: Objection to the Proposal to Create a Poole Town Council

Dear Committee Members,

I am writing as a long-term resident of Talbot Village, located within the area proposed to fall under the newly recommended Poole Town Council. I wish to register my strong objection to the creation of this council and the wider principle of establishing new parish and town councils across Bournemouth and Poole.

Although I am proud to live in a place with such rich history and community identity, I believe the proposed structure is unnecessary, confusing, and potentially detrimental to our local area.

1. An Unnatural Division of Communities

Under the proposals, Talbot Village, currently aligned within the Talbot & Branksome Woods ward, will become part of the Poole Town Council, while our neighbours in Talbot Woods are proposed to fall under Bournemouth Town Council. This arbitrary boundary ignores our real-world, everyday relationships and community ties.

The suggestion that Talbot Village and Talbot Woods should now fall under different town councils is disruptive and divisive, especially when we are one ward under the current BCP Council structure. We share schools, roads, green spaces, and priorities and fragmenting that for administrative neatness serves no benefit to residents.

2. Undefined Benefits and Unclear Purpose

According to paragraph 1.3 of the CGR report, the justification for a Poole Town Council stems in part from the Charter Trustees' frustration at not being able to do more to support local events and fundraising. There seems to be some ambiguity here. 'While I sympathise with those sentiments, it is not clear how a town council would provide a more effective or affordable solution or whether it would be proportionate.

The document suggests (paragraph 1.4) that the new Town Council would "allow additional freedoms to support other activities throughout Poole," yet no specifics are given as to what those activities are, how they would be managed, or at what cost. This vague phrasing leaves residents in the dark about what we are agreeing to — and at what financial burden.

3. Additional Bureaucracy Without Clear Value

As detailed in paragraph 1.12, the Task and Finish Group acknowledges the need to ensure electoral equality, but the proposed warding for the Poole Town Council already exhibits up to a 10% variance in elector-to-councillor ratios. This fails to meet the ideal guidance and demonstrates how difficult and unwieldy managing such a large and diverse town council would be in practice.

Rather than delivering more localised, community-focused decision-making, the proposed Poole Town Council would consist of 42 councillors across 17 wards (paragraph 2.2). This is not a small parish model that brings democracy closer to people. It is effectively a second-tier local authority, adding layers of complexity, cost, and confusion.

4. Risk of Increased Costs and Taxation

One of the most significant concerns for me and many others in Talbot Village is the potential cost of this proposal. Paragraph 1.3 confirms that Charter Trustees currently levy a modest precept. A Town Council, however, would have far greater powers to raise council tax, with no cap and no guarantees of improved services.

The CGR report does not offer even illustrative financial estimates for residents to consider. How can the community support a model that offers no transparency about how much we will pay or what we will receive in return?

5. Better Alternatives Exist

We already benefit from active residents' associations in this area that work in partnership with councillors and BCP Council officers. These associations provide a voluntary, grassroots framework for local engagement, without additional layers of taxation or administration.

Rather than introducing a costly new body, BCP Council could strengthen existing structures by improving officer liaison, investing in neighbourhood partnerships, and ensuring communities like Talbot Village have a strong voice without fragmentation.

Conclusion

I do not believe the proposed Poole Town Council will benefit residents of Talbot Village. On the contrary, it will:

- Fragment unified wards like Talbot and Branksome Woods
- Introduce new taxes with no clear service improvements
- Add a burdensome second layer of governance
- Undermine existing, effective community mechanisms

I therefore respectfully urge the committee to reject the recommendation for the creation of Poole Town Council and instead maintain the existing Charter Trustees model, which has served our historic town with dignity and efficiency.

Yours sincerely,

PROPOSAL FOR AN EAST CLIFF AND SPRINGBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

1. Background

- 1.1 During Stage 1 of the BCP Community Governance Review in the final quarter of 2024, the only question residents were asked was “do you want a parish or not?” There was no suggestion at that time that if residents said no, communities would be swept up into an ‘everywhere else in BCP’ parish as outlined in the Stage 3 consultation documentation.
- 1.2 If that had been specifically mentioned, the outcome of the consultation may have been very different – particularly in view of the timeline published in that Stage 1 consultation document which says:

Stage Four – Final Recommendations	23/06/2025 to 29/08/2025	10 weeks	Consideration of further submission received and prepare final recommendations Council resolves to make a Reorganisation Order

Table 1: Timeline extract from Stage 1 Consultation Documentation

- 1.3 The final sentence “Council resolves to make a Reorganisation Order” implies that reorganisation WILL take place, regardless. It is important to note that currently there seems to be no appetite amongst residents in the ward whatsoever to be part of a new town council. The preferred option would be to have no Bournemouth Town Council and to continue as we are.
- 1.4 Stage 3 consultation documentation, which emerged from the stage 1 consultation, includes a recommendation to create a Bournemouth Town Council and a Poole Town Council that sweeps up ‘everywhere else in BCP’ that was not included in the proposed new parish councils of e.g. Southbourne along with that of Boscombe and Pokesdown
- 1.5 The community has spent the last two years working towards the creation of a Neighbourhood Forum and Neighbourhood Plan. The consultation to designate the Neighbourhood area has only recently concluded and the outcomes are not yet known. BCP Cabinet is due to receive a report of those outcomes and agree whether to designate an area and a forum or not on 16 July 2025.
- 1.6 There is also a newly formed ‘Friends of East Cliff and Springbourne’ Community Action Group which has a role to hold funds, distribute them for community benefit and co-ordinate community action and volunteers for all who live, work, study, visit or worship in the East Cliff and Springbourne area.

- 1.7 Our preferred option is to allow that process to run its course without being swept up into a parish. If we are to be forced to abandon this approach against our wishes under this local government reorganisation then we firmly advocate for East Cliff and Springbourne residents to be given the opportunity to establish their own Parish/Community Council if they so wish. This would respect the wishes of the communities within it, preserve, protect and build on the work that has already been done on the Neighbourhood Forum and Plan to realise our own ambitions as a community. Residents need to be given this other option (rather than be swept up into Bournemouth Town Council) as a choice at the very least.
- 1.8 It would therefore be sensible, and fitting, to allow local communities to rethink their views on parishes and make suggestions regarding which grouping would suit them best during the Stage 3 consultation.
- 1.9 This document has been prepared by East Cliff and Springbourne residents who propose the setting up of an East Cliff and Springbourne Parish/Community Council rather than have the area subsumed by the extremely large alternative of Bournemouth Town Council where the community's needs may get lost amongst the clamorous entreaties from other areas of the conurbation. It sets out a community led alternative to the creation of a single, large Bournemouth Town Council.

2. Proposal for an East Cliff and Springbourne Parish Council

- 2.1 This proposal recommends the creation of an East Cliff and Springbourne Parish/Community Council that covers the area of the current East Cliff and Springbourne (EC&S) electoral ward along with the part of the East Cliff Conservation area that lies outside the electoral ward to the west as shown in Figure 1 below.
- 2.2. There are two trains of thought – one is to have wards as shown in Figure 1. The other is to have just one ward covering the whole of the area outlined in Figure 1.
- 2.3 The proposal includes Boscombe Chine Gardens (which is also included in the proposed Boscombe and Pokesdown Parish Council but lies in the EC&S ward). But it excludes Electoral Polling District EC6 as that forms part of the Queens Park and Charminster Neighbourhood Forum and is more aligned to that community. See map below.



**Figure. 1: Proposed East Cliff and Springbourne Parish council area
Showing Polling Areas (map courtesy OpenStreetMap)**

- 2.4 A Parish/Community Council format has been chosen over that of a Town Council as there is no need for an elected mayor. There are two suggestions about warding the new East Cliff and Springbourne Council.

2.4.1 Split the area into two wards thus:

- East Cliff Ward covering areas EC1 and EC2 and the part of the Conservation area to the west (including Boscombe Chine Gardens)
- Springbourne Ward covering areas EC3, EC4 and EC5. EC5 currently covers a handful of houses on the north of Knyveton Road which lie within the Conservation area so the boundary could be slightly adjusted so they remain in the Conservation area ward.

2.4.2 Just have one ward covering the whole of the area with a suitable number of councillors.

2.5 Further justification for the setting up of a specific Parish/Community Council for East Cliff and Springbourne includes these facts:

- There is a coherent community identity across ward and conservation area boundaries
- The proposed parish aligns with the proposed neighbourhood area
- It will provide a common district centre and civic infrastructure
- It includes all existing overlapping residents' forums and networks
- It includes the Neighbourhood Forum(s)
- It includes the Coastal Business Improvement District
- There are distinct local issues due to the seafront and the overlap with the town centre area
- The area shares community assets such as green spaces, GP Surgeries, Springbourne Library
- There is a common desire to preserve and protect the heritage of the area – the area is distinct in character and history compared to the rest of the town.

2.6 The overall aim of the parish will be to deliver effective low-cost, place-based governance without burdening residents with unnecessary administrative overheads.

3 Parish Councillors

- 3.1 The Local Government Act 1972 states there should be a minimum of five councillors on a Parish Council. Conversely the National Association of Local Councils guidelines suggest the minimum number of councillors on a Parish Council to be seven (with a maximum of 25).
- 3.2 Using Electorate and Projected Electorate figures, and assuming there are approximately 500 electors in the area of the Conservation Area outside the electoral ward, as well as guidance about elector-to-councillor ratio variance being within +/-10%, given in the consultation document, there are two possible ways of organising the proposed Parish Council area. One where the area is split into two wards and one where there is no ward structure
- 3.2.1 Table 2 outlines the number of councillors required should the area be split into two wards. The elector-to-councillor ratio would be 1052:1 with the resultant variances ranging between -1% and +1% which is a far more balanced and fairer outcome compared with that of +10.9% offered in the consultation document where East Cliff AND Springbourne would only have four councillors out of a total of 38.

Parish ward	Electorate 2025	Projected Electorate 2030	Seats	Elector Ratio	Variance from average
East Cliff (EC1, EC2 + 500)	4211	4255	4	1064	+1%
Springbourne (EC3, EC4, EC5)	6093	6264	6	1044	-1%
Total	10314	10519	10		

Table 2: Proposed Ward/Councillor Ratio within EC&S by Polling Station Area

- 3.2.2 However, there is some discontent over the fact that Springbourne will have more councillors than East Cliff in this scenario, so an alternative option is offered. There is no legal requirement to split a parish council into wards so, there could be just one ward covering the whole of the area. Table 3 below gives some options on numbers of councillors - variance is not required in this instance.

Electorate 2025	Projected Electorate 2030	Seats	Elector Ratio	Notes
10314	10519	4	2630	Number of councillors proposed in BCT but breaches the Parish Council guidance of a minimum of 7
		7	1503	Minimum number of councillors according to guidance
		10	1052	Number of councillors suggested if EC&S is split into wards.

Table 3: Possible Number of Councillors if No Warding Takes Place

3.4 Other considerations include:

- Council Size: no more than 10 councillors
- Staffing: .5 clerk could be shared with another parish/community council area
- Meeting frequency: bi-monthly with hybrid option
- Community Powers: small grants fund, community events/public liability insurance, local environment improvements
- This structure satisfies statutory requirements while remaining lean, transparent and proportionate.

4. Conclusion

- 4.1 There a considerable sense of community within the East Cliff and Springbourne area as is evidenced by the request to set up a Neighbourhood Area Forum within the ward which has yet to be determined.
- 4.2 Local residents therefore humbly request that you accept their request for the formation of an independent East Cliff and Springbourne Parish Council as opposed to being included in the proposal for an extremely large Bournemouth Town Council.

BCP Council Community Governance Review Stage 3 Consultation

Gervis Meyrick Estate Consultation Response

1. We recognise that the Council has made a choice to undertake a Community Governance Review covering the BCP area with the stated aim of improving community engagement and establishing more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective delivery of local services.
2. Given those aims, we do not believe that a single parish of Bournemouth as proposed, covering the area outlined in the Consultation Documents and comprising of 11 parish wards should be formed. We note that during the first stage of consultation no submissions in favour of this option were received, indicating an overwhelming lack of community support for the idea.
3. Delivery of local services should be properly resourced and managed to ensure consistency of service provision, avoidance of needless duplication of administrative costs and greater efficiencies in purchasing power.
4. Should a Parish Town Council for Bournemouth be established, we disagree with the proposed boundary. We strongly believe that the East Cliff forms a very distinct and sustainable community and should form a separate parish council.
5. Furthermore the proposed boundary for Boscombe and Pokesdown parish council requires further thought as it is not co-terminus with the BCP Council wards. Boscombe Chine Gardens provides a significant recreational green space for the East Cliff, and residents live adjacent to the gardens. Therefore, in the interests of establishing a more cohesive community and better local democracy, East Cliff residents should have a say in how the site operates.
6. It has long been established that the section of seafront between Bournemouth and Boscombe Piers is a principal location for the hosting of major events to support the local economy. The consultation proposes that this site is split into separate management entities under Boscombe & Pokesdown Parish Council and Bournemouth Town Council. We see this adding an unnecessary layer of complication when it comes to approval and management of major events. We strongly believe that the area between the piers should come under an East Cliff parish ward.
7. We further believe that the East Cliff, as a distinctive community, should incorporate the area to the west of Meyrick Road and bounded by Bath Road and Christchurch Road. We believe that, properly considered, the boundaries of an East Cliff Parish Ward would largely, subject to proper review, follow those of the East Cliff Conservation Area, designated in 1987, revised in 1988 and referenced in the current Bournemouth Local Plan and draft BCP Local Plan. The boundary should reflect an area of similar character and simply following BCP political boundaries does not appropriately reflect community, physical form, use or activity. Excluding the area of the East Cliff west of Meyrick Road would run counter to the consultation aim of establishing a more cohesive community.
8. Given the complete lack of appetite for and engagement to date from residents in the shaping of the parish proposal option in this consultation covering the East Cliff, we strongly request that the Council directly engages with key community stakeholders, including the Estate, to ensure proposals

are further developed with their input. Without this, the stated aims of establishing more cohesive communities, better local democracy and more effective delivery of local services cannot effectively be delivered.

9. We believe that the current proposals tabled have been ill-conceived and require further thought by the Council before new options which have received community input or endorsement are re-consulted.

██████████: AJ Emery Consulting, on behalf of the Gervis Meyrick Estate

20th June 2025

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Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Jackie Edwards

Comments and Observations submitted:

From what I have read there is far more opposition than support. With no clear guidance to costs and an extra layer of bureaucracy in a time when household budgets are tight then plans for Parish and Town Councils must be dropped. Residents' voices must be heard and whilst numbers were low in responding compared to actual number of residents it is clear they do not want this extra tax burden. Quite rightly residents are asking why they should pay twice for services. Services which are being eroded and are being noticed as disappearing more and more by residents such as the state of our roads, weeds in gullies, grass not cut, library hours reduced and the list goes on.

Form submitted by jackie.edwards@bcpcouncil.gov.uk address at 4.35pm on Wednesday, 20 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Peter Cooper

Comments and Observations submitted:

Hamworthy Ward – Community Governance Review Feedback

Observations and Questions from Councillor Peter Cooper

In reviewing the consultation responses for Hamworthy Ward, it's clear that views are relatively balanced regarding the preservation of local identity and the sense of loss following the merger with BCP. A recurring theme in the open comments suggests that this issue has been compounded by widespread misinformation—particularly from Conservative and Poole Engage sources—regarding the financial implications of a potential precept and the perception of an additional layer of bureaucracy. This misinformation appears to have been actively disseminated through a determined social media campaign, which may have influenced public perception and engagement with the consultation. How does the Task and Finish Group intend to address and clarify these misconceptions to ensure that future communications and decisions are based on accurate and transparent information?

Additional Questions:

- Will there be any concessions or exemptions for residents on low incomes in relation to any future precept?
- Would a future Town Council have the authority to determine such concessions, and what mechanisms might be used to implement them?
- Could a Town Council assume responsibility for local assets, and what would be the process for identifying, transferring, and costing these assets?
- What steps will be taken to ensure that elected Town Councillors, if a council is established, are adequately trained and supported to carry out their roles effectively?

Comment

The outcomes of the Community Governance Review were notably shaped by a surge of negative and often ill-informed commentary on social media. Much of this misinformation centred around exaggerated claims—such as warnings of a dramatic increase in the council precept and the imposition of costly new layers of democratic bureaucracy. These narratives caused genuine concern, particularly among residents on low incomes, including many in Hamworthy, where financial pressures are already keenly felt. While there is strong local sentiment in favour of retaining Poole's distinct identity following the BCP merger, the fear generated by these claims led some to question whether the review would serve their interests. Regrettably, there was no coordinated counter-campaign to challenge or clarify these assertions. Those of us who were on the receiving end of the misinformation chose not to enter into public debate, maintaining neutrality in order to preserve the integrity of the process. However, this silence allowed misleading narratives to dominate the conversation, potentially distorting public understanding and engagement with the review. sorry to repeat but folk are concerned as am I

Community Governance Review – more questions

This document addresses common concerns and misinformation surrounding the Community Governance Review, with a focus on residents in Hamworthy and Poole. It aims to clarify key issues and provide accurate information.

Q1: Will the Community Governance Review result in a huge increase in council tax (precept)?

Q2: Is this review creating expensive new layers of bureaucracy?

Q3: Why didn't councillors respond to the misinformation on social media? (i remained neutral as best i could)

Q4: I live in Hamworthy, and I'm worried about costs, but I also want to keep Poole's identity. What does this mean for me?

Q5: Was there a campaign to counter misinformation?

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Patrick Canavan

Comments and Observations submitted:

On behalf of the Labour councillors across Bournemouth can I thank you for circulating the data from the consultation on the Community Governance Review. It is our view that the results confirm that there is no appetite for the creation of these councils in Bournemouth.

With Boscombe there were a total of 183 responses but only 9 comments which were generally in support with 70 in opposition. The numbers responding from outside the area is not surprising given that Boscombe borders a number of other areas which would be impacted by this proposal. It is also revealing that the dashboard shows that 82% of respondents were opposed to the creation of a separate council for this area. This is entirely in line with what we have told you before and demonstrates the fact that there is no community support for this idea.

Similarly, the proposal for Southbourne had a total of 254 responses with 28 generally supportive but 81 against. The issue of the boundaries between Boscombe and Southbourne was raised previously, and this is an evident concern in the responses that have been received. I can only repeat that the proposed boundaries were entirely artificial and created unnecessary division within the community. Notwithstanding the issue of boundaries 74% of respondents were opposed to this idea so, despite some social media campaigning in favour, this has been firmly rejected.

Regarding the creation of a town council for Bournemouth there were 333 responses but only 28 which were generally supportive and a 93 in opposition. The boundaries of this proposal never made any sense, and it was simply a means by which the remainder of Bournemouth could be encompassed within a single town council. There is no commonality with the areas covered and the opposition to this idea comes as no great surprise.

With the proposal for Redhill there were 147 responses but only 6 in general support and 60 in opposition. It is interesting that 54 of those opposed were from outside of the area but again that is not surprising given that this proposed area borders closely on other areas such as Kinson.

The results for Poole are more closely balanced but we would once again make the point the border between Poole and Bournemouth is still a sensitive issue. Any boundary for a new town council in Poole should not encroach on areas that are seen as being part of Bournemouth and we feel the Task & Finish Group should give careful consideration to where that boundary is drawn if it wishes to proceed.

In summary there were only 917 responses for all the areas within Bournemouth with 71 being in general support and 304 in opposition. Given this we are requesting that the Task & Finish Group determine that no further action is taken to create Town/Parish Councils within Bournemouth.

Cllr Patrick Canavan
BCP Labour Group Leader

Form submitted by Patrick.Canavan@bcpcouncil.gov.uk address at 9.08am on Thursday, 21 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Michelle Dower

Comments and Observations submitted:

I found how the responses were set out were complicated. The table seemed to illustrate various sets of data : those for, those against, and reasons for being against.

Although I am aware that residents of Kinson Ward did respond, I cannot see those results anywhere. Based on what I have read in these documents, it appears that most BCP residents are against CGR.

Form submitted by Michelle.Dower@bcpcouncil.gov.uk address at 3.30pm on Thursday, 21 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Lawrence Williams

Comments and Observations submitted:

The consultation appears to overwhelmingly not support the need for the adoption of Parish and Town Councils, certainly in Bournemouth. The feedback I have received from residents has mirrored this.

Form submitted by lawrence.williams@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 3:22 PM on DDDD, 22 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Stephen Bartlett

Comments and Observations submitted:

It is clear that resident's responses are overwhelmingly against the creation of a Parish Council for the Redhill and Northbourne Ward.

Form submitted by stephen.bartlett@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 1:12 PM on 24 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Margaret Phipps

Comments and Observations submitted:

I am commenting regarding the consultation results for Hurn. I note that of the 78 respondents none of them live in Hurn. I get the impression that many will have offered objections because they generally oppose new Parish Councils in their own areas, so have commented on other areas as well. It is telling that no-one from Hurn commented either way, which tells me that Hurn residents have no issue with the how the Parish Council operates. The first Hurn Parish Council Minute book shows that the initial Parish Meeting was held on 4th December 1894 at 6.30pm when 6 Cllrs were elected. The first full meeting of Hurn Parish Council was at 4pm on 22nd March 1895. Hurn is a Historic Parish which has been in existence for over 130 years. I suspect it is the oldest Parish Council within BCP. I am of the opinion that the Parish Council should continue it's good work as it is, with the same amount of Cllrs. Regarding Boundaries, Christchurch Town Council suggested two small changes (previously noted as A and B), which The Parish has no problem with, as long as there are no maintenance costs or obligations for land which would now be included within the Parish Boundary. I am of the opinion that Hurn Parish Council is a valuable local Statutory Body which represents it's residents well. It should be left to continue to do so.

Form submitted by Margaret.Phipps@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 2:53 PM on 24 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Eleanor Connolly

Comments and Observations submitted:

My ward is affected by the Southbourne Council and Boscombe & Pokesdown Council proposals. Looking at the responses, the level of opposition to the councils shown in the responses compared to the level of support is resoundingly clear. The responses reflect that there has been a small group behind the proposals rather than there being a groundswell of community appetite for the idea. Firstly I hope you will take note that for many of the comments listed as ‘agreeing’, their comments make it very clear that they are not in fact supportive (e.g. bottom of p8 of the Southbourne responses). For many others listed as ‘agreeing’, they set very significant caveats in their comments, such as disagreeing with the boundaries or number of wards. I hope that is reflected when quoting numbers for and against. Even setting aside that objections far outweigh support, it is clear that only a few dozen respondents living in the area have actually expressed agreement with the proposals as stated, out of a population of tens of thousands. I would hope for evidence of significantly higher levels of public support if a new council were to have buy-in from the community, clear interest in public participation in elections and enough local support to give it a chance of making it a success. I note my concerns about the boundary between Southbourne and Boscombe & Pokesdown are reflected in many comments, both within Southbourne wards and surrounding wards. Looking at the responses, I do not see support for boundary that would serve community cohesion. As comments have noted, Southbourne Grove/Seabourne Road is the heart of the Southbourne and Pokesdown communities but is where the boundary between councils would be. The boundary cuts through a built-up area, and would not be “easily identifiable” as set out in the CGR Guidance. The CGR guidance is clear that community cohesion and local identity are at the heart of what it should be about. If the boundaries aren’t right and don’t reflect local identity, then the proposals should not go ahead - it is on those grounds that I believe we cannot say community cohesion is enhanced by the proposals, based on the comments received. In short, my views on the specifics of the Southbourne and Boscombe proposals align with those sent by Cllr Canavan, that even these councils have been clearly rejected by the communities, along with the rest of Bournemouth.

Form submitted by Eleanor.Connolly@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 3:59 PM on 24 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

John Beesley

Comments and Observations submitted:

In terms of the Westbourne & West Cliff Ward there appears to be very little support for the Community Governance Review proposals for a Town Council. The figures speak for themselves. The comments make it clear what the majority of residents feel, and their distain for another layer of local government when all they want is for the existing BCP Council to provide the good and reliable services for which they are already paying at an increasing level of cost every year. The proposals coming forward, just six years after Local Government Reorganisation, are not what most residents were expecting, and they cannot understand there to be any advantages to them in terms of the existing services provided and value for money for them as hard pressed council tax payers. The consultation makes this and many other objections extremely clear, and I conclude that it would be a very brave (or foolhardy) Council that would make such a change against the overwhelming views of those who have responded. Although we are constantly being told that the cost of a Town Council is not a consideration, the truth of the matter is that it is a very real concern to many residents, particularly the elderly in this Ward who are on fixed incomes and who are struggling as it is with the cost of living. They are being attacked on all sides for more and more of their savings and fixed incomes, from both the national government, and from local government. Most of those I speak to receive no support from being able to claim benefits and are trying to make ends meet without becoming a burden on the state. These proposals will inevitably make matters even worse for those residents, and indeed the additional bureaucracy will inevitably grow and become even more costly as it always does in the public services in the UK. I urge the Council to heed the consultation responses and not to proceed further, especially as it affects the residents of this Ward with proposals for a Bournemouth Town Council.

Form submitted by john.beesley@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 8:59 PM on 24 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Olivia Brown

Comments and Observations submitted:

The consultation results show a very mixed response across Bournemouth, Christchurch, and Poole. Although this is disappointing, as I believe a small precept and an additional layer of local autonomy could be beneficial, I feel that the recent reorganisation to form BCP Council has influenced how residents view further changes to local governance. Having met with residents in my ward, there was some interest in the process, albeit from a small group. However, for many, the idea of being part of a wider Bournemouth Town Council did not appear to offer enough clear benefit to them as a community.

Form submitted by Olivia.Brown4@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 2:06 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Duane Farr

Comments and Observations submitted:

Based on the results of the consultation for establishing a new Bournemouth Town Council, residents of Kinson ward would not be happy if the proposals go ahead considering 76% of Bournemouth respondents said they are against the proposals. I see no reason in progressing plans for a new Bournemouth Town Council, spending council taxpayers' money on holding additional elections, to elect more councillors, hiring new town clerk etc and charging residents an additional precept for no new services, instead paying extra for what should already be done. There would be no advantages to our residents and find myself unable to support it. BCP Council needs to get back to basics, delivering the essential services our residents expect, instead of wasting officer hours on creating an additional layer of governance, when it has only been 6 years since the creation of BCP Council which was brought about to simplify things for residents and save money.

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Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

David d'Orton-Gibson

Comments and Observations submitted:

I will answer in respect of two areas, Redhill and Northbourne, where I live and Bournemouth Town where the ward I represent is located. Redhill and Northbourne Overall 80%* of respondents are against the idea of a parish council. This is slightly worse when you consider the respondent who said "agree" but then in the text was clearly strongly against the proposal. Even amongst the "agree" respondents, there is not agreed area with some thinking the ward boundaries are fine and others wants parts of other wards included. Feel free to utilise anything I say in any response you choose to make. Redhill and Northbourne, 80% of respondents say no. Of the XX% who agree, they don't agree on what they want. One wants part of Moordown included, another thinks Winton West should be included, another wants Kinson and Bearwood included and yet another thinks it should include Ensbury Park (though another "agree" says it should not include Ensbury Park). A couple of people think New Rd (up to the bridge) and Keeble Road should be included. This clearly shows who there is no clear coherent vision for a Redhill Parish. One respondent said Ensbury Park should not be included and that 3 councillors is excessive, the proposal is for 9 councillors for the parish. Another says "agree" but the comment is "This seems unnecessary and potentially costly development which we really do not need. I am strongly against the changes" Therefore the text makes it clear they are against the parish but they are listed as an "agree" response. I am not sure if this is a coding error or the respondent has not understood the question. Likewise, one "disagree" respondent says there is no clear identity and another says there is a clear identity. Another said "agree" and then said "Why change for change's sake?? Just to tick boxes??", this does not sound like a comment of someone supporting the parish proposal? 27 people responded from within the area, but 192 responded about the area. Obviously, the views of those from within the area is of greatest importance. However, as several people were suggesting increasing the size of the area, some of those outside the area may have been within the area they thought should have been included (thought several of these were "agree" respondents). There were only 4 people (counting the text replies (not sure why this disagrees with the figures below but it may be that they made no text comments.), out of about 4,000 who live in the area, who agreed to the proposal. 15 people outside the area (out of about 163) were in favour, though why someone from "commons" or "Christchurch Town" should feel a strong view about Redhill and Northbourne is not clear. Postcode not matched 6, Agree 2, disagree 4 Respondent outside BCP 2, Agree 2, disagree 0 Respondent outside R&N 155, agree 21, disagree 127, neither agree or disagree 6, Don't know 1. Respondents in R&N 26, Agree 6, disagree 20 It is overwhelmingly clear that the residents of Redhill and Northbourne do not want to have a parish council. This is true for those living in the area, those living outside the immediate Redhill and Northbourne area, and on no identified postcode. The only area (2 respondents) to support the proposal are those living outside the BCP area and they can effectively be ignored. The range of reasons does include cost (which will be unavoidable just to run elections and provide clerking and IT support for any councillors. However, there are a range of other objections including the area not being a natural community, introducing confusion of responsibility, 9 elected members for what has only 2 BCP councillors and others. Listen to the people now, or listen at the next election. Bournemouth Town. This proposal is so obviously artificially constructed. It is a clear attempt to get rid of the charter trustees by parish everything in the charter trust area. I stopped being able to type any more text in at this point so another submission

Form submitted by David.dOrtonGibson@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 4:48 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Marcus Andrews

Comments and Observations submitted:

I've looked at the Poole Town results mainly. I see there were 394 responses from within the area. I've not seen any comment as to whether there was proof of multiple responses say with one person using 3-4 separate email accounts. But I am aware there was a lot of mis information being fed out [like £400+ more council tax for a band D dwelling]. Which must have seen the data corrupted as the 'facts' have not been given The Poole Town outcome excludes Broadstone. The adult population of Poole Town thus needs to exclude that Ward. So a quick Google check shows there are about 75,000 adults [i.e. over 18] who could have commented for Poole: but only 394 did. By the way, are you sure there are no under 18 respondents? Say 15-16yo's? Anyway, a quick calculation gives a very low/poor 0.5% response rate. What do the other 95.5% think or want? I assume we have done more scientific research with an outside opinion poll organisation. What does that show? As Chair of the Poole Cherbourg Twining Assoc I know the loss of Poole BC [with the Poole Charter Trustees a toothless substitute] has impacted on the ability for the 2 towns to work together to promote cultural exchange etc ever since BCP came into existence. Cherbourg Civic officers and elected members would much prefer to see an active Town Council where the Mayor led endeavours to see business connect with French counterparts. Our 'twin' [only 62 miles away] has a whole department with staff and a portfolio holder whose brief is 'international relations': they have links with several other towns & cities. We could link up in a smaller way with Newfoundland. I'm aware a town in Italy wants to have a 'link'. A Town Council should come into existence. One with a small budget with an actual civic building [with staff of course dedicated to the Town cause], The legacy of 777yrs that Poole has had a Mayor can not be left to 'rot away on a tree'. I sure the folk in the 394 who said NO, if told the modest cost in practice [& that there was a real risk of the legacy of 777yrs being lost] would accept a small town Council. By small I fear the large numbers of Councillors brief floated is too great. Over in Christchurch Town they struggle to get good calibre Councillors. I am aware in Burton & Hurn in the past they even co-opt members. So, I would like to see the numbers reduced by 40% or so. It can rise by or or two when the couple of thousand new dwellings are built in my Ward of Bearwood & Merley! I've been doing regular 'door knocking' and holding twice monthly surgeries in my Ward with my x2 co Ward Councillors Brown & Burton over the past several months. Very, very few have raised the matter. We did deliver a leaflet to each household saying the consultation was happening with our contact info Of the 3-4 people who did discuss the matter 2 were concerned about the cost. I sought to explain it had not been decided: it was for newly elected Councillor to decide. The other 2 said they would be happy generally, but only if we joined (that is Merley) with Wimborne Town! I said that was not possible. But many do look to that Market town for shops schools doctor etc.

Form submitted by Marcus.Andrews@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 5:20 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Peter Sidaway

Comments and Observations submitted:

This whole process has been very interesting. Firstly, there was nowhere near enough education of the public or the Councillors to make this consultation really valid. It looks like (from the results and other communications) that many people had no idea what the CGR really meant. Looking at the results, it looks clear to me that there are not enough responses to make it a valid sample. The results of those who did complete the survey show that they are overwhelmingly against it. In my view that is because of the failings of the point I made above which allowed for a massive misinformation campaign by those against. That is also clear from the responses. Why would people from outside of an area respond in such numbers? Why are comments so similar? I'm afraid the process was flawed. Continuing that theme, why was it leaked? Because the very people who were against have worked throughout to undermine the process. The dashboard is very clear in terms of percentages but not always numbers. As for the analysis report, it is hard to link that back to the data. Why for example does it say the in Broadstone, of those within the proposal area 50 generally supported but 54 generally opposed but you cannot make a link back to the data. The questions in the survey had something like 7 or 8 options but I don't think we can see that level of data or any weighting applied to them, apologies if that is in there somewhere. So overall, I think it was a flawed process in terms of timing, education and questions and given the results, I cannot support its implementation.

Form submitted by Peter.Sidaway@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 6:05 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Annemarie Moriarty

Comments and Observations submitted:

There is no demonstrable public support for the creation of a Bournemouth Town Council, with consultation responses showing a clear majority of residents opposed to the proposal. Within East Cliff and Springbourne ward, residents have already taken meaningful steps to strengthen local engagement and representation. Over the past two years, the community has been actively working towards the establishment of a Neighbourhood Forum and the development of a Neighbourhood Plan. The consultation to designate the Neighbourhood Area has only recently concluded, and Cabinet have just formally agreed the forum area. We now need time to develop this plan without external forces further complicating the picture. Alongside this, the newly formed 'Friends of East Cliff and Springbourne Community Group' is already delivering tangible benefits. This group will coordinate volunteer efforts, already manages community funds, and will support initiatives that serve residents, workers, students, visitors, and faith communities alike. These developments reflect a community-led approach to local governance that is already active, inclusive, and responsive. The wider consultation findings within which East Cliff and Springbourne residents are included reinforce this local direction. Of the 333 individuals who provided qualitative feedback, only 23 expressed general support, while 93 opposed the proposal outright. Within the proposed area, just 12 residents were in favour, compared to 57 who rejected the idea. Concerns extended beyond general opposition. A significant 228 respondents raised issues around governance and administration, citing duplication of roles, increased complexity, and confusion over responsibilities. Many questioned the logic of introducing another layer of local government so soon after the formation of BCP Council, which was intended to streamline services and reduce bureaucracy. The consultation process itself was criticised by 41 respondents, who described it as poorly communicated, lacking transparency, and insufficiently informative. Several called for any significant changes to be subject to a public vote, reflecting broader concerns about democratic accountability. Taken together, the evidence points to a community within East Cliff and Springbourne that is already organising effectively and does not require an additional formal governance structure. The combination of strong local opposition, active grassroots initiatives, and the absence of a compelling case for change makes it clear that the proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council should not proceed. I recommend that the Working Group acknowledge the consultation outcomes and the strength of existing community-led efforts within East Cliff and Springbourne and discontinue further consideration of this proposal.

Form submitted by Anne-Marie.Moriarty@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 6:15 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Mike Cox

Comments and Observations submitted:

The consultation results have been significantly distorted by a misinformed minority. Unless there are specific reasons in relation to an answer which falls within the guidelines then these should be discounted. Despite it was pleasing to note that there was still support for Christchurch Town council although that was diminished by people from outside the Town wanting to the work of the Town Council

Form submitted by Mike.Cox@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 7:43 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Bernadette Nanovo

Comments and Observations submitted:

I am so impressed that so many Southbourne residents and those connected to Southbourne engaged with the CGR. It is a testament to the work that Southbourne Councillors have done with Southbourne Forum to bring information to residents through the many public meetings we held. Most of the replies showed that residents were very well informed and care deeply about Southbourne, Tuckton and Hengistbury Head. Many who disagreed with the proposal still went on to make suggestions and said that if Bournemouth Town Centre was going to have a Town Council, they would rather have a Southbourne Community Council (or Southbourne & Tuckton Community Council) than join with Bournemouth. Others were concerned about the boundary of a Southbourne council. Some residents seem to mis-understand the motives of those who brought them the information about the CGR and thought that Southbourne Forum Committee Members or even the BCP Councillors were going to gain somehow from a community council. This may have been as a result of the mis-information that was put out on social media. The only winners from a local council would be the residents. Some others used the CGR to make political points. However, because of the interest in a Community Council we now need to examine all the responses and perhaps do more work around costs and benefits, as residents are rightly concerned about what they would get in return for the additional precept on their council tax bill. Thank you.

Form submitted by Bernadette.Nanovo@bpcouncil.gov.uk at 8:55 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Emily Harman

Comments and Observations submitted:

I have reviewed a few of the consultation responses that most effect me and my residents. It is heartening that the results are 50/50 for those that live in the area being 'for' and 'against' and I must say is a real breath of fresh air. We all know that people are far more likely to be motivated to 'complain' than to 'compliment'. I shall comment in particular on Poole Town as that encompasses Parkstone - the ward I was elected to represent. Whilst it is clear that much misinformation is still abound (you've only to look at the vitriol on social media that was prevalent throughout the whole of the CGR consultation period and my own anecdotal evidence that many responses have been based on conjecture) I must say my own experience throughout the process was mostly positive face to face engagement with residents and local residents groups who realised that currently a Poole Town Council is the best option available to residents to address many of the frustrations and issues that face many of us. Lots of individuals that I have spoken to in my role whilst initially sceptical or unsure of the concept have accepted that Poole Pride is worth fighting for and establishing a town council, whilst not a perfect solution, is the only viable option before us today. People want a VE/VJ day celebration organised by the council. People want Christmas lights. People want to restore a sense of Pride in Poole. A Town Council is the only viable way this can currently be achieved. In addition I would like to add my own comments regarding the current council consultation process and the potential for the opportunity to abuse and skew the result by those that may so wish. Anecdotally I have heard accounts of door to door paper copies being distributed by some that it may be argued have sought to 'skew' the process. I have seen aggressive and confrontational posts on social media. I have seen many online posts that would seek to derail the process and to accuse the consultation process of being 'political'. I would strongly argue that it is in fact the opportunity to deny our residents the chance of having a truly local voice that promotes community and cohesion that is in fact the real political motivation here. Upon election I promised to put the residents of Poole first. The people of Poole want to restore pride and want to be heard. A Town Council will do just that. I am in full support of a Poole Town Council.

Form submitted by Emily.Harman@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 9:06 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

John Challinor

Comments and Observations submitted:

Given the level of opposition to the proposed new town & parish councils across Poole - including Broadstone - there surely is no way that these can be implemented. As much as the consultation tried to downplay the additional costs that residents would have to bear, there is clearly no appetite from council tax payers to be saddled with this financial burden. The creation of Neighbourhood Forums is enabling areas to focus on their particular needs and use additional receipts from CIL - at very little cost to the council. More of these would be a better way to support individual communities.

Form submitted by John.Challinor@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 9:31 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Councillor Andy Hadley

Comments and Observations submitted:

The misleading campaigning against "double Council tax" has significantly affected results, as has people "voting" about this area from elsewhere in the conurbation, and outside it. The responses from Poole Town Ward itself were 62% in favour of the Town Council being formed, but from what I can see this is not reflected across the wider area that a Poole parish/town council would cover. The literal comments would be the most useful, but I found it really difficult to scroll through these and get a feel for the valid concerns and reasons for support. It would have been really helpful to see a word-cloud or other analysis. Many of the concerns raised relate to costs and we need the working group to concentrate on bringing out the themes both for and against the changes, and the context and legislation which may render some of the themes ineligible for deliberations by Cabinet and Council, and in a way that can honestly be explained to the public. I think it would also be very helpful for the WG report to highlight the areas that BCP have already had to stop or reduce funding for (eg Events, paddling pools, place marketing, street cleansing), and some worked examples of how parish/Town Councils have helped communities in other Authorities to retain public ownership and involvement in how high streets, parks and open spaces and other shared community facilities get used, maintained and developed. Also clarity on the "do nothing", ie what BCP Council can continue to do, and what realistically will not get done. The Charter Trustees have been entirely neutered, but if the Town/Parish Council were not to proceed, then some challenge would be needed to the wither and die approach that has been forced upon us. Again, how Charter Trustees elsewhere have avoided such constraints would be helpful. The decision on whether to go for Parish/Town Councils in the various areas is for Council to make, I hope that the WG will focus on the rounded views and options for each area, rather than attempt to finalise a single recommendation, as i think that will be difficult and divisive to achieve.

Form submitted by Andy.Hadley@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 9:38 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Sandra Mackrow

Comments and Observations submitted:

If permissible, please take my comment as a resident of BCP. I felt that social media posts and the sharing of `opinions`, to be scaremongering. Some `quoters` became hostile and impatient with the due process that was required to be followed.

Form submitted by Sandra.Mackrow@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 9:52 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Hazel Allen

Comments and Observations submitted:

I reviewed the results for the proposed Bournemouth Town Council / Parish area. There were 10 responses for residents living in my ward - Bournemouth Central Ward. 1 agreed - with no comment. 1 answered - don't know and all the rest disagreed. Although this is a small sample it is in line with the full response which shows residents are clearly not supportive of the CGR proposal by a strong majority. I really hope that the administration and particularly the Leader and Cabinet hear the definitive voice of BCP residents and not push these changes forward. I also note that some responses within the agree list added comments that actually suggested clearing that they are actually strongly against. I hope these anomalies will be taken into account .

Form submitted by Hazel.Allen@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 10:11 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Mark Howell

Comments and Observations submitted:

Respondents in my ward (Poole Town) were clearly in favour of creating a town council, but this was an outlier in terms of general results. Poole Town ward residents see a town council as a means of protecting and enhancing Poole's identity, which has been undermined by BCP Council. In assessing the results more generally, they have clearly been skewed by concerns about the cost of the process/administration of town councils, which we were informed by Richard Jones were invalid for the purposes of the consultation. Although consultations are not ballots, many members of the public view them as such. It would therefore be difficult for councillors to decide to create a town council where the headline for/against responses are negative. Therefore, although people who objected on invalid grounds may have also objected on other valid grounds, it would be useful to know the proportion of objectors who have based their submissions partly on invalid grounds and may have on balance supported a town council if they were able to exclude financial considerations from their calculations.

Form submitted by Mark.Howell@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 10:13 AM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr Sara Armstrong

Comments and Observations submitted:

Response to the Community Governance Review – East Cliff and Springbourne Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Community Governance Review. I am writing to reflect the views of residents in East Cliff and Springbourne (ECS), based on both formal feedback and wider community engagement. I would like to thank residents who took the time to respond to this complex consultation. I comment hoping I have understood the complexities of navigating the dashboard! The contrast in engagement levels between the ECS Neighbourhood area designation and the governance review is striking. Over 200 residents participated in the Neighbourhood area consultation, demonstrating a strong interest in shaping local priorities. In comparison, only 199 responses were received from people living in the whole of the actual Bournemouth Town Council area, with just 25 responses coming from ECS. This disparity highlights a clear lack of appetite for this form of governance among ECS residents. Of those 25 ECS respondents, 84% opposed the creation of a Bournemouth Town Council. Their concerns were consistent and clear. I have to agree I share their concerns.

Summary of Key Concerns from ECS Residents

1. Cost of Living Pressures Residents are concerned about the financial impact of introducing a parish precept, with amounts unknown, especially during a time of economic strain.
2. Bureaucracy and Duplication There is strong resistance to adding another layer of governance that could blur responsibilities and reduce efficiency.
3. Preference for a Neighbourhood Forum ECS has now been formally designated for a Neighbourhood Forum and is actively working towards a Neighbourhood Forum and Plan for the area. This model is seen as more effective, empowering communities from the ground up without the added bureaucracy or cost of parishing.
4. Lack of Community Cohesion in Proposed Boundaries The proposed Bournemouth Town Council area is seen as too wide and lacking in shared identity.
5. Need for BCP Council to Improve First Residents feel BCP Council should focus on delivering effective services before introducing new governance structures.
6. Limited Support Based on Specific Concerns A small number of residents supported the proposal due to concerns about health and social care spending not reflecting local needs.

The Boscombe proposal, which includes part of EC1, received only 14 responses from residents of ECS—86% of which were against it. This further reinforces the lack of enthusiasm for parishing in the area. EC1 should not be included in a Boscombe Council. It is included within the ECS designated neighbourhood area. Given ECS's active engagement in developing a Neighbourhood Forum and Plan over the last 2 years to determine it's own destiny, in the event of Bournemouth Town Council being established and only in the event of BTC being established - I believe that ECS residents should be given the extra opportunity to choose their preferred governance structure – a parish for East Cliff and Springbourne which fully embraces it's newly forming Neighbourhood Forum and Plan which is currently not on the table. If BTC is not created then this option is not required to be put. There is no clear mandate or interest in ECS to be part of BTC. In conclusion, I do not support the proposal for a Bournemouth Town Council. The feedback from ECS residents highlights a lack of interest, significant concerns about cost and complexity, and a clear preference for community-led planning through a Neighbourhood Forum. Neighbourhood forums offer a more agile, inclusive, and cost-effective way to empower communities—without the burden of additional governance layers. I urge the Task and Finish Group to take this feedback seriously and ensure that any future governance changes reflect genuine community demand and do not impose unnecessary burdens on residents.

Form submitted by Sara.Armstrong@bpcouncil.gov.uk at 10:37 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cameron Adams

Comments and Observations submitted:

I think the results are clear - people in Kinson, and people across Bournemouth and Poole do not want to see the imposition of these town and parish councils. The feedback I received on the consultation document itself was that it was burdensome, difficult to fill in and inaccessible, yet many persevered to express the strength of their feeling. Regardless of the value of town and parish councils (which I think there is much value to in the right circumstances) - by pursuing this against the clear wishes of the majority this council will continue to look increasingly out of touch, and ignorant of the people we claim to serve. I think should any of these proposals (For Poole, Bournemouth, Redhill, Southbourne or Broadstone) proceed against the wishes of the vast majority of those who we claim to represent, we will have absolutely no legitimacy in the face of our residents - many of whom have seen this whole process as a predisposed stitch up. How can we ever look them in the face and ask them to consider answering another consultation if we ignore this one.

Form submitted by Cameron.Adams@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 10:46 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Crispin Goodall

Comments and Observations submitted:

In consulting with residents in Parkstone Ward, I am aware that the Residents' Associations talked to were mainly in favour of a Poole Town Council. There were however comments that a town council for Poole would be unwieldy and from further research, I am concerned about the quality of those who may choose to stand as town councillors. Many of the leaders of the local communities felt that their workload was sufficient and they weren't going to stand for further office. If that puts a few backs up and encourages good people to stand, then so be it. I found that once a precept was explained in terms of the good it can do for a town council, and the fact the the money was ring fenced and cannot be swallowed up by BCP then attitudes tended to change. I also found that encouraging residents to look at other town councils e.g. Bridport and Corfe Mullen and how these areas had succeeded in making their areas happier, also swung views. Conversely there were residents in the Ward who felt 'their' money e.g. CIL payments should be kept within the Ward and did not wish to see money being disbursed via deals being done in other Wards. Whilst reading the report I was struck by the sheer volume of 'anti town councils' that smacked of social media rhetoric. In our Ward the venom associated with the closure of one of the Poole Park gates, from one of the commentators, is not borne out by the support that we, as councillors had, from most of our residents. My hope is that should we proceed with the creation of a town council in Poole there will be enough good people who will step forward and make the town a better place.

Form submitted by Crispin.Goodall@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 10:46 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Councillor Anne Filer

Comments and Observations submitted:

I am surprised at the consultation results and to see how little appetite there is throughout most of BCP for any change. On a personal level, I would not like to see "my" town of Bournemouth fragmented and divided into neighbouring areas which could have differing services and levels of service. In my ward of East Cliff & Springbourne residents are definite in their desire not to be part of a Bournemouth Town Council and I completely support them. They equally have no desire to be part of a Parish and I am again entirely in support of them and agree with both positions.

Form submitted by anne.filer@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 11:05 AM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Jamie Martin

Comments and Observations submitted:

Throughout the process to date, when speaking with my ward residents about the CGR, the topic has either been met with no interest whatsoever or outright negativity. The responses to the Bournemouth Town Council proposal from my residents, and beyond, are coherent with the majority of opinion that has been put to me since day 1 of this review. It is clear there is no appetite across Bournemouth for Town Councils, there is no appetite for the Bournemouth Town Council proposal within which my ward sits, and that it would be completely without controversy for the Task and Finish Group to not progress these proposals.

Form submitted by Jamie.Martin@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 11:13 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Tony Trent

Comments and Observations submitted:

I will not comment on the general principle except to express concern that this process has been abused by certain members who turned it into one sided propaganda, and using aspects that we were told was not part of what we could consult on (the cost), which some of us requested to be included until corrected. They have done a disservice to the process, one which many of those concerned should have held as part of the skewed and rushed consultation on the creation of BCP Council in 2015/16/17. As far as the ward I represent, and the area I have lived in most of my life, I noted comments about the naming of the proposed ward, Alderney. That has been the name of the ward that has included Wallisdown, Poole, since 1983. Before that (1974 - 1983) it was in Upper Parkstone and Wallisdown North. One comment (I struggled to identify more than once when I looked through the individual comments) suggests the two sides of Wallisdown should be a single authority. Under BCP it is, and any Town Council would not cover the aspects that there is concern about. As I have argued in the past when the Boundary Commission has looked at the area, the unifying factor for the fluid ward, that was Alderney, and is now Alderney & Bourne Valley, is the open space we share and cherish. Apart from upper level issues like Wallisdown Road, Alder Road, and bus links, the main matter of concern in the area of Wallisdown (which also includes parts of BH4 - Bloxworth Road and Bridport Road) is the protection of the open space we share, and the arson and anti-social behaviour that affects it and threatens it. If you go back 40 years you will see how much passion and commitment residents showed in their bid to protect it when a major road scheme was proposed. As I have said, I have lived in Wallisdown, Poole, Dorset for 70 plus years, and value the area I live in - hence my focussing on that one aspect. The remaining discussion will be difficult, though I suspect some will just carry on politicising it - which was never what the process was about. None of us know who would run a Town Council if it were created next year, as indeed none of us can be sure who will run BCP Council post May 2027.

Form submitted by Tony.Trent@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 11:18 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Cllr George Farquhar

Comments and Observations submitted:

I looked at x4 proposals and the % response below indicate to reasonable members of the public that Parishing is not the wish of those responding to the consultation Boscombe East & Pokesdown 15% agree 82% disagree Bournemouth Town 20% agree 76% disagree Southbourne 23% agree 74% disagree Poole Town 32% agree 65% disagree This should be all the evidence that the Task and Finish Group should need to consider make their recommendations to Cabinet and Council NOT to Parish these four proposals

Form submitted by George.Farquhar@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 11:57 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Sandra Moore

Comments and Observations submitted:

I agree with the residents who thought that 42, the proposed total number of councillors for a Poole TC, is excessive and that 4 councillors for Canford Heath is also too many. I would also prefer Canford Heath to remain as one ward and not be divided into two wards. Canford Heath is very much one community and should not be split. Residents were very concerned that a TC would cost too much money, despite my reassurance that the costs could easily be kept to a minimum; sadly, the dreadful, wildly inaccurate accusations being made, mainly via social media, were clearly too extreme and made too frequently to be ignored. It can be seen from many of the incorrect comments that a number of residents were unable to make an informed decision based on facts and it is my opinion that the Community Governance Review has been ruined by the sharing of this misinformation. The consultation results have now been leaked and the subsequent comments being made via social media are straight from the gutter. I think, as a Council, we have the right to expect a formal Government prescribed review to be treated with more respect by members.

Form submitted by Sandra.Moore@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 12:37 PM on 25 August 2025

Community Governance Review - Councillor Response Submission

Councillor name:

Sharon Carr-Brown

Comments and Observations submitted:

The responses received reflect the feedback I've had personally in my area, that there is no appetite for parish councils in Bournemouth. A couple of responses from Queen's Park and Charminster do support the principle but many more do not, citing the reasons I've previously given, such as the unnecessary extra layer of bureaucracy, cost and the arbitrary division of parts of our town that would inevitably lead to differing levels of service. These divisions are the very opposite of what we should be striving for in our town and go against the point of the last CGR and the creation of BCP. Comments reflect my view that our energy should go into making BCP work, making our systems responsive to local need and ensuring the 'enabling' council model that we've heard about actually works. We have already started this work in our area with our Neighbourhood Forum, Plan and local charity. This should be the focus. People's comments reflect that they do want responsive services, and thriving, beautiful high streets, but they don't want that at the expense of somewhere else or via an added precept when they already pay so much. No application for a parish council was made from our area in the first round and there is absolutely no support for QP&C to be within a Bournemouth Town that is a mish-mash of left-over parts of Bournemouth. The proposal as currently put is unworkable for our area. I would urge the Working Group to not go ahead with any individual parishes within Bournemouth and most definitely not the Bournemouth Town suggested here. The comments clearly do not back this approach overall or even from within the areas that have made an application.

Form submitted by Sharon.Carr-Brown@bcpcouncil.gov.uk at 12:49 PM on 25 August 2025

My feedback for the community governance review consultation is that in all of the areas that currently do not have a town or parish council there is an overwhelming majority of residents that do not want a town or parish council.

On the first and most important question ***“To what extent do you agree or disagree that a parish or town council should be established”*** The overwhelming answer is that the residents disagree. Now the answer to that question has been received there is no point in moving on to discuss the other questions in the consultation because the first question is a resounding no.

The feelings and opinions of the residents have been asked for. They should now be listened to. We asked all residents to take time to read the information given to them and make informed decisions on the questions in the consultation. We cannot now turn around after this and ignore them or say that this is a consultation not a referendum. In short the community governance review should be stopped immediately and save a lot of time and money that could be wasted pursuing town and parish councils in BCP.

Councillor Vikki Slade

I have been following the negativity about CGR but I have to be clear that those who stood on a Lib Dem ticket stood with a proposal to undertake CGR and introduce parish or town councils

I am concerned that people do not understand the difference between a referendum and a consultation and that there has been a lot of manipulation and mis information about what a town council can do.

Broadstone has been interested in progressing a TC for many years and I am therefore deeply disappointed we have not got a majority in favour.

However I note that from the responses the number who actually came from broadstone was fairly low. The idea that a small number (50-150) people might stand in the way of something that 2000 people who voted in the election knew they would be getting is worrying.

Looking at the data on the question of general support or general objection the numbers are even. 50 v 54.

Of the overall responses (426) only 265 of these respondents live in Broadstone, while 161 of these respondents live outside of Broadstone.

To give a small example, the Neighbourhood Forum - with the assistance of BCP Cllrs secured a fund to improve the public realm at what we are now calling Wallace Square. We were not allowed an extra bin and the current one is rusty and brings the area down. £850 was the quote for a new one, and this cannot be funded. How ridiculous that our community cannot get a bin

If a town council does not go ahead I would like to know what is going to be done to ensure every community has guaranteed funding for projects.

Broadstone is an affluent place and as a result rarely are able to secure funds. We have our CIL but this is highly limited.

I continue to support progressing a town council for broadstone.

I do not feel I can comment on the other places as I have not had time to digest their responses.

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HURN PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Richard,

Thank you for the analysis report for Hurn.

In our opinion the lack of responses from Residents of Hurn indicates they are happy with the current situation. The feedback we receive is that Residents appreciate the work of the Parish Council. They understand Cllrs represent the interests of Hurn and its Residents and stop their interest being lost within BCP Council. Councillors understand the area and the impact of any decisions on Hurn. It is not appropriate for Hurn to be merged with another Council.

As stated in the Parish Council's response to the Consultation. 6 Councillors works well for Hurn and should not be changed. The stated objection to 6 Councillors for a small number of Residents does not appreciate the background and history of Hurn. The number of Councillors does not impact the precept or the weight given to Hurn as a Statutory body. As the Parish Council already exists there will be no additional cost.

The small changes to the boundaries suggested by Christchurch Council (areas A and B) are acceptable to the council providing the changes do not result in any additional responsibilities on the Parish Council.

We note that all the objections are from outside of Hurn. They appear to be a generalised objection to Parish/Town Councils and are not specific to Hurn.

Kind Regards

Clerk to Hurn Parish Council

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HIGHCLIFFE AND WALKFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Richard,

Please find below the response to the CGR from the Chairman on behalf of HWPC.

Executive summary

Although these results relate only to the HWPC section of the consultation, the contents raise huge concerns about the reliability and validity of the wider responses. I've had concerns for some time that the consultation and the public debate have been hijacked by a particular group, for reasons that have nothing to do with what's best for BCP residents. If the other parish results are anything like HWPC's, then those fears will have been well & truly realised.

Based on what I've seen, it's hard to see how these results can be given any credibility. These appear to be generated by a public debate based on hysteria & misinformation, which regrettably has been allowed to fester without proper challenge. I'd urge BCP councillors to address this before it's too late.

Notably, that debate has been conducted without any involvement from the existing local councils within BCP. Nor have I seen DATPC involved, or indeed any acknowledgement of the 10,000 town, parish & community councils already in existence across England, many of which have been thriving for decades. The debate has excluded those with experience, in favour of those with none.

If BCP is serious about wishing to promote parishing across Bournemouth & Poole, I can only suggest councillors join that debate, doing so proactively and decisively, before it's utterly overwhelmed.

Analysis of HWPC data - main HWPC consultation

There were 93 respondents to the main HWPC consultation - 78% of which were from people outside the parish. There were 24 comments from parish residents (mostly supportive about HWPC), compared to 109 from outside (mostly negative about HWPC). Of the parish residents, only 2 were generally opposed.

Of the comments from people outside the parish, 22 generally opposed the existence of HWPC, 37 complained about the administration, services & benefits of HWPC, and 11 objected to the cost of HWPC.

The 'other comments' section yielded similar results. There were 46 respondents - 83% of which were from people outside the parish. There were 12 comments from parish residents, compared to 49 from outside. Of the comments from outside the parish, again 13 generally opposed the existence of HWPC, 14 complained about the administration, services & benefits of HWPC, and 11 objected to the cost of HWPC.

This is an extraordinary outcome, which demands a double-take.

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So: the overwhelming majority of responses objected to matters which have absolutely no effect on them whatsoever, and which they probably have absolutely no experience of. We have people complaining about the cost of HWPC, who will never have to pay a penny towards it. We have people complaining about the management of HWPC, who have no idea how it's managed. We have people demanding the abolition of HWPC, who have no knowledge of what it does.

I fail to see how we can possibly give this consultation any credibility at all. The majority view here is broadly that HWPC is a waste of money, poorly managed and should be abolished. Yet this is based on the responses of people from outside the parish and who appear to have no experience of it.

Analysis of comments

There are potentially two trends emerging from the freeform comments on HWPC, both of which BCP will need to consider.

Firstly, no balanced discussion of the results can be had without reflecting on how poorly-informed many of these responses are. And this goes far beyond simply expressing an alternative point of view.

- One opponent writes: *"Don't forget the area voted not to have a Parish Council in a referendum before it was established. The referendum result was simply ignored"*. Yet in reality there's never been any referendum about PCs in BCP.
- The same respondent adds: *"The costs involved in administering the council could be spent elsewhere"*. They seem to be arguing that if HWPC didn't exist, the money could be 'saved' and spent in a different part of BCP. Yet if HWPC didn't exist, obviously the money would never be raised in the first place. And how does spending the money 'elsewhere' benefit HWPC residents?
- Another writes: *"We have a Town Council which has council representatives for each area. We do not need more levels of administration"*. Yet the only TC here is in Christchurch, which is not getting 'more' layers of admin, since obviously it already has one.
- Another writes: *"There should not be new councils set up at extra cost"*. Yet HWPC already exists; it is not a 'new council'.
- And on it goes: *"Why is there no explanation of cost to implement the overall recommendations? It's hard to comment on other areas that have changes without understanding the cost"*. Yet HWPC's precept is publicly available, and anyone liable to pay the precept will already have that cost on their CT statements.

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Interwoven among these is the repeated insistence that HWPC is a waste of money, from people who do not live here. This is yet another reason why the exclusion of representatives from existing local councils has been so damaging. Those with no experience or understanding of PCs seem to have overwhelmed the public debate.

Secondly, most of the negative feedback is aimed not at HWPC, but at the entire project. This leads me to suspect that these comments, and these respondents, have pasted similar feedback in all of the consultation sections.

These comments in particular stand out:

"Town and parish councils should be removed as they add an unnecessary layer of councils for no added benefit."

"The parish council should be abolished. It is a waste of tax payers money and adds unnecessary bureaucracy."

"There should not be new councils set up at extra cost, where there would be no benefit & possible increase in council tax."

"This adds additional unnecessary cost to us all."

"Creating parish/town councils will be adding another level of unnecessary bureaucracy and cost with no tangible benefit and worse accountability."

"The creation of parish councils will be damaging for BCP Council, enabling greater fragmentation and corruption, preventing the change the area needs."

"We do not need a parish council as well as BCP."

"I disagree with the continuation of current parish councils within BCP Council and I disagree with the establishment of any new parish councils in BCP."

If BCP wants to understand more about the results, I'd recommend extracting data around how many users responded & commented to multiple sections. This will help BCP understand how many responses are in good faith. In my view, it would be essential to identify the number commenting across multiple sections using the same language, regardless of whether they live in them and regardless of whether the parish exists or not.

It's important for this process to be managed so as to support a proper democratic outcome. But I can't see how to accurately investigate and represent the data and comments without also giving the kind of analysis that I'm suggesting here.

Finally

To the question of implied criticism of HWPC. I'm proud to represent this council and this community. I personally engage with hundreds of parish residents who reap the benefits of the work we do in maintaining local spaces, supporting local groups, projects and charities, and funding local events. I also stand in front of up to 100

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members of our local residents' association every quarter, and am always happy to field any questions or comments.

I have never heard any of these residents complain about the cost of the council nor call for its abolition. In fact, if we have any complaint, it's that HWPC isn't doing enough. This is the reality.

As noted, I will be reaching out to BCP separately, but please do share this onwards as part of the response to the formal process. I would be very happy to speak to the T&F Group, and indeed to the Overview & Scrutiny Board when this matter comes before them. I did ask to participate in the first OSB review of this matter at the start of the year, but was told this could undermine the consultation process. Given how the absence of local-council representatives has allowed misinformation to overwhelm the debate, this feels very ironic.

Many thanks, all best wishes

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

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HIGHCLIFFE AND WALKFORD PARISH COUNCIL – ADDITIONAL FEEDBACK

Dear all

I'm writing to make a request, in relation to the CGR consultation. I've had concerns related to the consultation for some time, but having now seen the HWPC-only results, those concerns have been well and truly realised.

It's been quite obvious that the public debate has been overwhelmed by a certain group, for reasons that seem to be entirely political. This debate has been marked by hysteria & misinformation, which regrettably has been allowed to fester without proper challenge. If the HWPC results are representative, then this tiny minority has dictated and prejudiced the outcome of the entire consultation.

One of the incredible things about that debate is its dismissal of the existing BCP Town Councils & Parish Councils. There could have been many ways for experienced parish officers & members to be involved in showcasing the responsibilities, achievements & successes of their councils, whether in BCP's public presentations or its committee meetings. I personally made a proposal at the start of the year to join the relevant OSB meeting (which was rebuffed), and have made similar proposals in relation to September's meeting (those emails have not been acknowledged). As a result of this, the debate has excluded those with experience, in favour of those with none. Ignorance and mischief have reigned.

This is perfectly clear in the HWPC results, and I presume in the others too. The overwhelming majority of HWPC responses were from people outside our area. They variously reported that HWPC is a waste of money, poorly managed and should be abolished. We have people complaining about the cost of HWPC, who will never have to pay a penny towards it. We have people complaining about the management of HWPC, who have no idea how it's managed. We have people demanding the abolition of HWPC, who aren't affected by it and have no idea what it does.

In the HWPC results, there are at least a dozen complaints based on entirely false information. Many complain about local councils generally. And perhaps the most incredible thing is the idea that town & parish councils are alien to English council landscape, when there are over 10,000 across England, many of which have been thriving for decades, even centuries.

It's hard to see how we can possibly give these results any credibility at all. The same tiny group that lobbied so hard against parishing during the consultation, is now lobbying hard for the results to be respected. But that would mean HWPC should be abolished, and presumably CTC and the others too.

All of which brings me to my request: that when this item comes to OSB in September, you could invite experienced voices from outside BCP - not to give a tiny 150-word statement, but to sit and contribute with the committee. I'm not only the

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Chair of one of those unheard parish councils, but also outside BCP Council politics. I can provide an informed and non-partisan view on what its like to be part of a parish council, insight into the enormous benefits for the local community, and a view on the challenges too. To this you could add Neil Wedge, chief exec of DATPC. I could suggest one or two other members of neighbouring local councils.

Obviously Highcliffe has nothing to gain from the potential adoption of local councils in Bournemouth or Poole. But I do think it would be a tragedy for residents of those communities if they didn't get the chance to access the benefits that ours do. And having that informed debate, allowing experienced voices to explain what that could look like, is surely essential for a democratic outcome.

I look forward to hearing, all best wishes

Adam

Adam Sofianos

Chair, Highcliffe & Walkford Parish Council

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Suggested HWPC ward boundary – N-S along Hinton Wood Avenue & Castle Avenue, then west along Lymington Road and south to the coastline



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