

REPORT TO: Executive Board
DATE: 19 June 2008
REPORTING OFFICER: Chief Executive
SUBJECT: Changing the name of a Ward
WARDS: Castlefields

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To inform Members of a request to change the name of Castlefields Ward to Castle Ward.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION:

- 2.1 That Council be recommended to consult electors in the Castlefields Ward on the proposed change of name.
- 2.2 A Working Party of elected representatives be nominated to consider any representations received following consultation.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A request has been received from the Leader and Labour Ward Councillors for the Castlefields Ward, to change the name of the Ward to 'Castle Ward'.

Under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 there is a provision for a Local Authority to change the name of an electoral area.

The Council will need to pass a resolution following consultation with such persons as it considers appropriate on the proposed name.

It is suggested that leaflets be sent to households in the Ward on the proposed name change and information on the issue be posted on the Council's website.

On completion of the consultation exercise a report will be prepared for submission to a Member Working Party. The Working Party will make a recommendation to Council in October 2008 who will make the final decision on the recommendation.

4.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policy implications.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The cost of consultation can be met within existing resources.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES

- 6.1 **Children and Young People in Halton** – There are no implications arising from this report.
- 6.2 **Employment, Learning and Skills in Halton** – There are no implications arising from this report.
- 6.3 **A Healthy Halton** – There are no implications arising from this report.
- 6.4 **A Safer Halton** – There are no implications arising from this report.
- 6.5 **Halton's Urban Renewal** - There are no implications arising from this report.

7.0 RISK ANALYSIS

There are no risk assessment implications.

8.0 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

There are no equality and diversity implications.

9.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

None