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COUNTY COUNCIL
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CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL

County Council
19th October 2017

REPORT AUTHOR: The Leader

SUBJECT: Question from County Councillor Jackie Charlton

Question

I would like to ask a question of Rosemarie Harris as Leader about the Welsh Government White Paper 'Services fit for the future' which outlines changes to the way that quality and governance will be measured and delivered in future. One of the proposals is around 'co-production' (another way of saying partnerships) especially between professionals and those people using different services.

An element of this is to find a more co-operative and efficient way of delivering a framework with checks and balances for patients and clients of the two areas of delivery, health and social care.

The proposal of most interest to me as a councillor and member of Powys Community Health Council is to replace existing Community Health Councils with a new 'independent body' that will be charged with bringing together inspection/regulation and hearing the citizens voice. Powys Community Health Council is responding independently therefore the Health Board and presumably Powys County Council will have responded too.

My questions:-

1. I would like to know what Powys County Council have said in response to this consultation which ended on 29 September 2017.
2. Secondly, the notion that inspection and regulation is the same as hearing the citizen voice is very troubling. They are not the same. What is your view as a past Chair of the Community Health Council and as Leader of Powys County Council which delivers social care and aspires to future integration with Powys Local Health Board in future?

Answer

1. Adult Social Care responded to the consultation. I will arrange for a copy of the response to be forwarded to Members.
2. The Community Health Council does not in any way deal with Social Care. They are the NHS Watchdog from the patient/citizen perspective. Also, the role of the Leader of the County Council is to lead on Local Authority issues. It would be

unusual for the Leader to answer questions on a position held outside of the Council and in previous years.

On this occasion, I will answer.

In reality, the CHC should be a very important link between the NHS, those who regulate them and the voice of those who use the NHS.

Firstly, can I say that I have always firmly believed that there is a need for an organisation like the CHC as a watchdog body of the NHS on behalf of the patient/citizen.

There is no other organisation which has a voice on behalf of the patient. I actually believe that, far from abolishing CHCs, their role should be strengthened. They are statutory bodies and that strength, under statute, has already been removed in England – detrimentally so in my opinion.

Currently CHCs are allowed to visit GP surgeries, hospitals, ambulance stations and anywhere that NHS services are provided. Often joint inspections are done with HIW with one organisation inspecting clinical provision and the other inspecting from the patient perspective. CHCs have never been allowed to inspect/visit any establishments where social care only is provided. It has always been felt by Powys CHC and indeed the Board of Wales CHCs that both should be treated in the same way, especially as there is no patient voice for Social Care.

In the future, I would like to see the role of CHCs strengthened to include Social Care.

I also believe, probably controversially, that CHC members should be paid a small amount. At the moment, members are volunteers and it can be a very busy programme, especially for Powys members because secondary health care is commissioned for the residents from so many DGHs outside our boundaries. I think if members were paid a small amount, it would attract and enable greater diversity amongst the membership and so strengthen the organisation.

As all acute secondary care for our residents is commissioned from elsewhere, (a large percentage from England) there is often a need to support as well as challenge Powys LHB.

In summary, I think there is a need for a strengthened organisation to inspect/visit all NHS bodies/Social Care provision from the patient perspective.

CYNGOR SIR POWYS COUNTY COUNCIL.

County Council
19 October 2017.

REPORT AUTHOR: Solicitor to the Council

SUBJECT: 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies

REPORT FOR: Response to Consultation

On 17 October 2017 the Boundary Commission for Wales published their Revised Proposals for the Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in Wales in accordance with the provisions of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 as amended by the Parliamentary Voting System and Constituencies Act 2011. The Act of Parliament reduces the number of constituencies in the UK and sets an electoral quota which requires each constituency to have an electorate, as at the review date, that is not smaller than 71,031 and no larger than 78,507.

Revised Proposal Summary

In its revised report, the Commission proposes a county constituency of **Brecon, Radnor and Montgomery (Aberhonddu, Maesyfed a Threfaldwyn)**, as shown in appendix 1, the blue line shows the revised county constituency boundary. The new constituency would contain the existing constituency of Brecon & Radnorshire and the following wards of Montgomeryshire: Caersws, Churchstoke, Dolforwyn, Forden, Kerry, Llandinam, Montgomery, Newtown Central, Newtown East, Newtown Llanllwchaiarn North, Newtown Llanllwchaiarn West, Newtown South, Rhiwcyon, including the Blaen Hafren and Llanidloes wards (which in previous proposals had been joined to the Ceredigion constituency).

The constituency would have an electorate of 74,903.

The Commission proposes a revised county constituency of **De Clwyd a Gogledd Maldwyn (South Clwyd and North Montgomeryshire)**, appendix 2, which joins electoral wards from Denbighshire and Wrexham with the following wards from Powys: Banwy, Guilsfield, Llandrinio, Llandysilio, Llanfair Caereinion, Llanfihangel, Llanfyllin, Llanrhaeadrym-Mochnant/Llansilin, Llansantffraid, Llanwyddyn, Meifod, Trewern, Welshpool Castle, Welshpool Gungrog, Welshpool Llanerchuddol and now also includes Berriew (which in the previous proposal was included in the Brecon, Radnor and Montgomery constituency).

This new constituency would have an electorate of 71,570.

The Powys electoral wards of Glantwymyn, Llanbrynmair and Machynlleth are included in the revised county constituency of **Ceredigion a Gogledd Sir Benfro (Ceredigion and North Pembrokeshire)** as shown in appendix 3. Which comprises the existing constituency of Ceredigion with electoral wards from Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire.

This new constituency would have an electorate of 71,467.

A full copy of the report is available at the Boundary Commission for Wales website: www.bcomm-wales.gov.uk/2018-review.

The Commission are inviting representations on their revised proposals between 17 October and 11 December 2017. Any individual can make representations via the Commission's Consultation Portal www.bcw2018.org.uk, by email to bcomm.wales@wales.gsi.gov.uk or by post to: Boundary Commission for Wales, Hastings House, Fitzalan Court, Cardiff, CF24 0BL.

There is no County Council scheduled between now and the end of the consultation period on 11 December, therefore we propose that:

1. Any representations that members would like Group Leaders to consider in the Council's response should be sent to electoral.services@powys.gov.uk by 3 November 2017.
2. Group Leaders are given delegated authority to meet and prepare a response on behalf of the County Council.

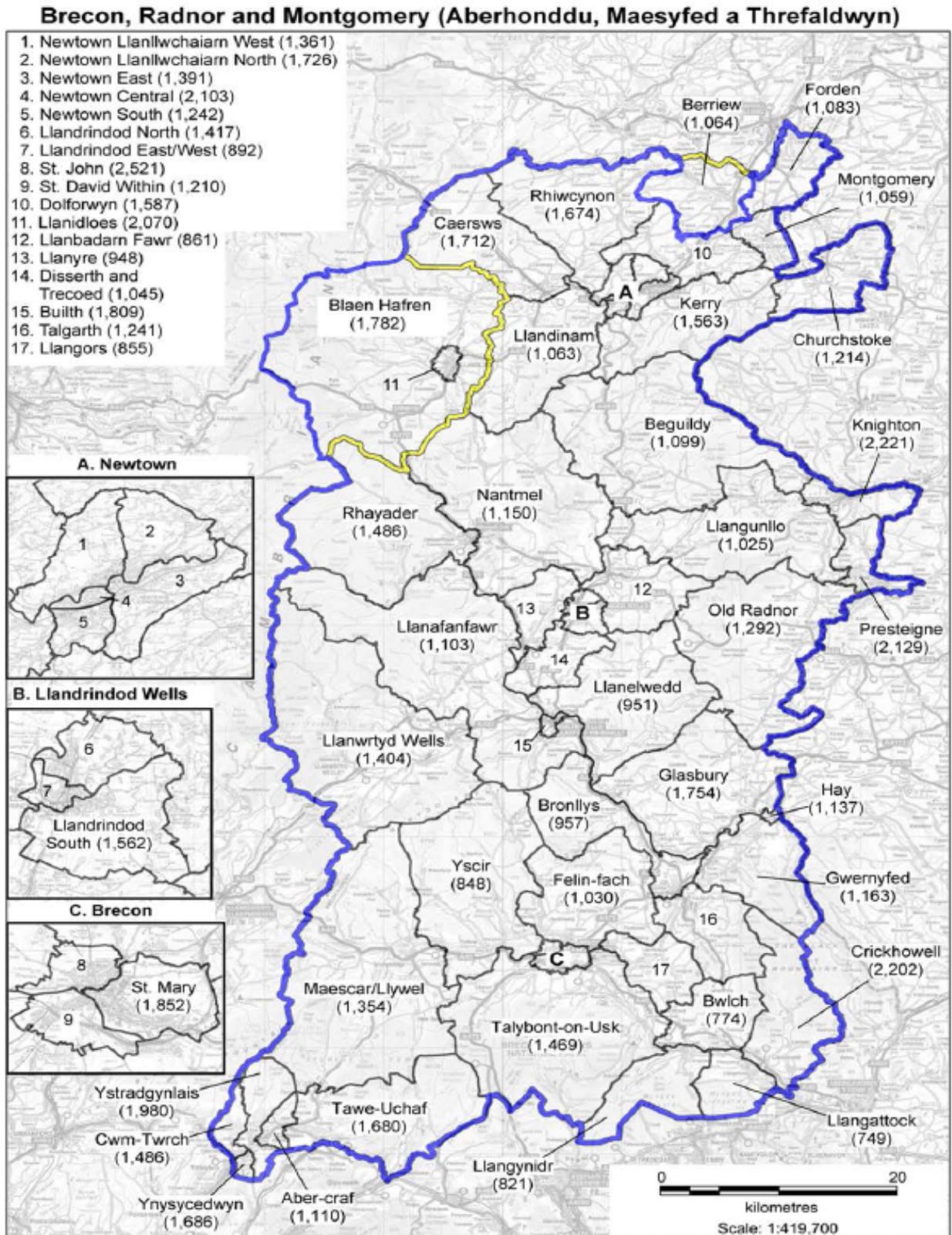
Recommendation:	Reason for Recommendation:
<p>1. Representations are sent to electoral.sevices@powys.gov.uk by 3 November for Group Leaders consideration.</p> <p>2. To provide Group Leaders with delegated authority to consider and provide a Powys County Council response.</p>	To provide the Boundary Commission with representations from Powys County Council.

Relevant Policy (ies):			
Within Policy:	N/A	Within Budget:	N/A

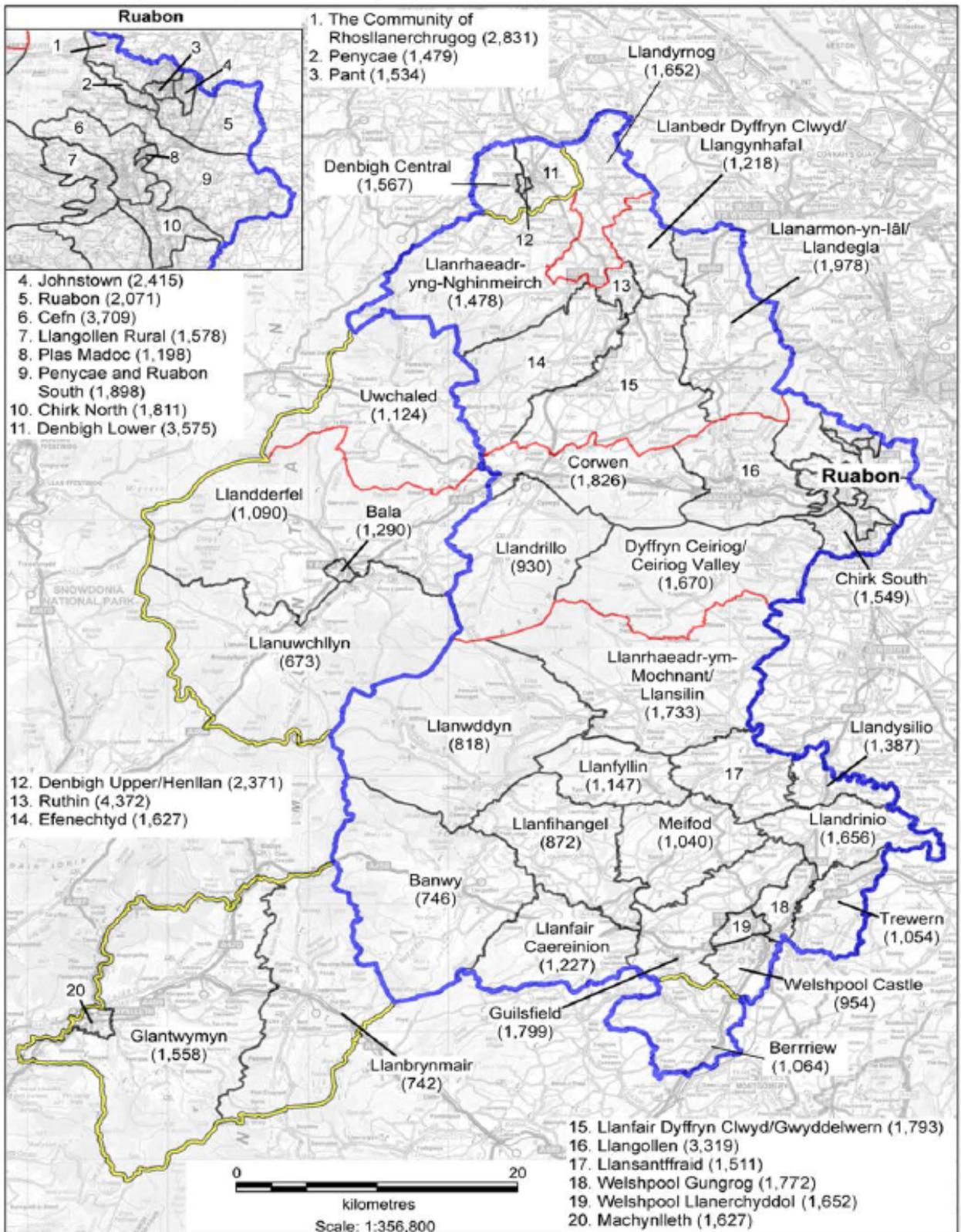
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Relevant Local Member(s):	All Members

Background Papers used to prepare Report: Boundary Commission for Wales, 2018 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies – Revised Proposals Report.



De Clwyd a Gogledd Maldwyn (South Clwyd and North Montgomeryshire)



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