ELECTORAL REVIEW WORKING PARTY

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 27 JANUARY 2012 AT 2:00pm

Present: Councillors: Joan Hully (Chairman); Eileen Eastwood; Peter Tyson and William Southward.

Officers: Tim Capper, Democratic Services Manager; Stephanie Shaw, Senior Elections Officer and Clive Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

Also Present: Chris Shaw, CALC (for item 6 only).

Apologies: Councillors Brian Dixon; Fred Gleaves and Norman Williams.

ERWP 06/11 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 November 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

ERWP 07/11 Declarations of Interest

Councillors Joan Hully and William Southward declared a Personal Interest in Agenda Item 7 due to being Cleator Moor Town Councillors.

ERWP 08/11 Request to Rename Beckermet Parish Council

The Working Party considered a request from Beckermet Parish Council to change their name following a community governance review where the parish now incorporates Thornhill. The proposed name was 'Beckermet with Thornhill Parish Council'.

RESOLVED – that the Working Party support the request and this be forwarded to Full Council with a recommendation that the name of 'Beckermet Parish Council' be changed to 'Beckermet with Thornhill Parish Council'.

ERWP 09/11 Draft Recommendations on the New Electoral Arrangements for Cumbria County Council

Consideration was given to the draft recommendations on the new Electoral arrangements for Cumbria County Council.

Members were advised that the proposal had been widely advertised and comments had been received from three Town Councils, which would be forwarded as part of the consultation response.

In addition, Councillor Tyson thought the proposed 'Woodhouse' division was an inappropriate name for the area it was to represent and suggested the 'Kells and Sandwith' name should remain.

RESOLVED – that the comments received from the Town Councils, together with the name 'Kells and Sandwith' for the proposed 'Woodhouse' division be submitted as part of the consultation on the draft recommendations on the new Electoral arrangements for Cumbria County Council.

The meeting closed at 2.20 pm

Chairman

Date