REPORT TO:	Electoral Arrangements Committee
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SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT (PARISHES OF HISTON & IMPINGTON) GROUPING ORDER 2012

Purpose

1. To **REPORT** the making of the above Order (attached) which, in the main, will come into force on 1st April 2012 and the remaining electoral changes will come into force on 3th May 2012.

Background

2. On 21st November 2011, this Committee recommended to Full Council the making of a Grouping Order whereby the existing parish councils of Histon and Impington would be dissolved and replaced with a common parish council under which the parishes would be grouped. The Order would also make provisions for the reduction of parish councillors from 26 to 19 and make consequential administrative provisions to be agreed.

On 24th November 2011, Full Council RESOLVED

(a) the making of a Grouping Order to group the Parish Councils of Histon and Impington; and

(b) to delegate to the Chairman of the Electoral Arrangements Committee, in consultation with officers and the two parish councils, to finalise the wording of the Grouping Order.

General Comments

3. A draft Order was prepared by the Officer and was sent to the parish councils for approval. As a result of representations made by the respective Chairmen (Cllrs Parrish and Payne) at a meeting with the Chief Executive and Officers, a fresh draft was prepared and approved by the parish councils and the Chair of this Committee in accordance with paragraph (b) of the Resolution.

Background Papers: None

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