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Appendix B - Proposals where no comments were received at the second consultation stage



Proposal ref.	Ward	Proposal summary
AW1.1	Adel & Wharfedale	Establish a new permanent location for polling for AWD at Holt Park Active
AR1.1	Ardsley & Robin Hood	Divide ARI into 2 separate polling districts, new polling station in Tingley Athletics Club
AM1.1	Armley	To move from a portable building into Lilac Common House, Lilac Grove
BH1.1,1.2,1.3,1.4	Beeston & Holbeck	Polling for BHD to return to a portable building in the car park of the Broadway Public House
CF1.1	Calverley & Farsley	Polling to remain in a Portable Building at Woodhall Sports Pavilion as the Pavilion itself is unsuitable
CF2.1	Calverley & Farsley	To move from a portable building into the Conservatory at The Owl Public House
CA1.1	Chapel Allerton	To move from a portable building into Woodhouse Community Sports Club
CA2.1	Chapel Allerton	To merge the polling districts CAJ and CAK with both voting at the location for CAJ
FW1.1	Farnley & Wortley	To merge polling districts FWK and FWM who both already vote at the same polling station
GH1.1	Gipton & Harehills	GHA to vote with GHB at the Dame Fanny Waterman Centre instead of at a portable building on Gipton Approach
KI1.1	Kirkstall	Polling for KIF to remain in a portable building on land at Village Place as suggested alternative not suitable
MI1.1	Middleton Park	To move from a portable building into West Grange Church, West Grange Drive
RL1.1	Rothwell	To correct an error in the registers to enable a group of electors currently in RLI to vote in RLA
RL2.1	Rothwell	To create a new polling district RLK with electors voting at The Tower, Castle Lodge Estate
RL3.1	Rothwell	Move the polling station for polling district RLG from a Portable Building on Wordsworth Drive to Rothwell Sports Centre

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Proposal Reference No.	AW1.1
Ward	Adel & Wharfedale
Polling district(s)	AWD
Polling station(s)	Adel Methodist Church Hall Gainsborough Avenue Adel LS16 7NX
Electorate(s)	2057
Postal Voter(s)	453
Proposal submitted by	Various correspondence from electors and Councillors
Proposal detail	<p>Unhappy with the relocation of this polling station from the now demolished Holt Park Leisure Centre to Adel Methodist Church Hall.</p> <p>General opinion that the station should be located in the newly built Holt Park Active.</p>
Revised electorate(s)	N/A
Officer comments	<p>Officers have inspected a room at Holt Park Active which has been deemed suitable and has all the necessary access and facilities for electors and polling station staff.</p> <p>The room available has a sports flooring which will need temporary cover in part.</p>

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



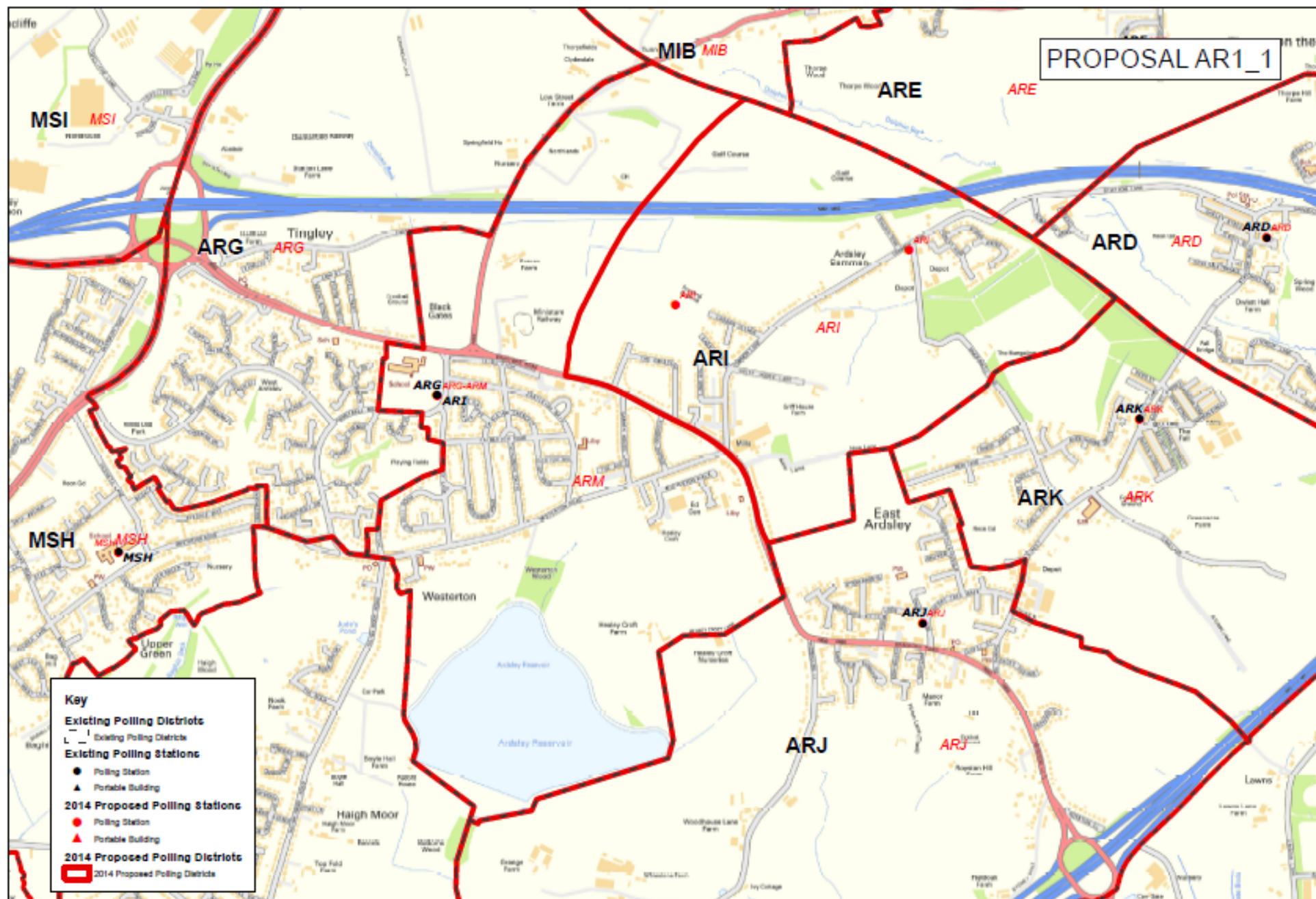
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Proposal Reference No.	AR1.1
Ward	Ardsley & Robin Hood
Polling district(s)	ARI
Polling station(s)	Lower Hall Tingley Activity Centre Smithy Lane West Ardsley WF3 1QQ
Electorate(s)	2620
Postal Voter(s)	475
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Lisa Mulherin (Labour), Ardsley & Robin Hood Ward
Proposal detail	<p>Divide ARI into two separate polling districts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish new boundary from Bradford Road going north towards and beyond the M62 to split ARI • Possible new polling station at Tingley Athletics Club or the Railway Public House.
Revised electorate(s)	<p>ARI (revised) - 823</p> <p>ARM (new) - 1797</p>
Officer comments	<p>Officers have visited the Athletics club which has a suitable room for use as a polling station and all the necessary facilities for electors and polling station staff.</p> <p>Access to the station is across a small car park which has adequate lighting.</p>

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



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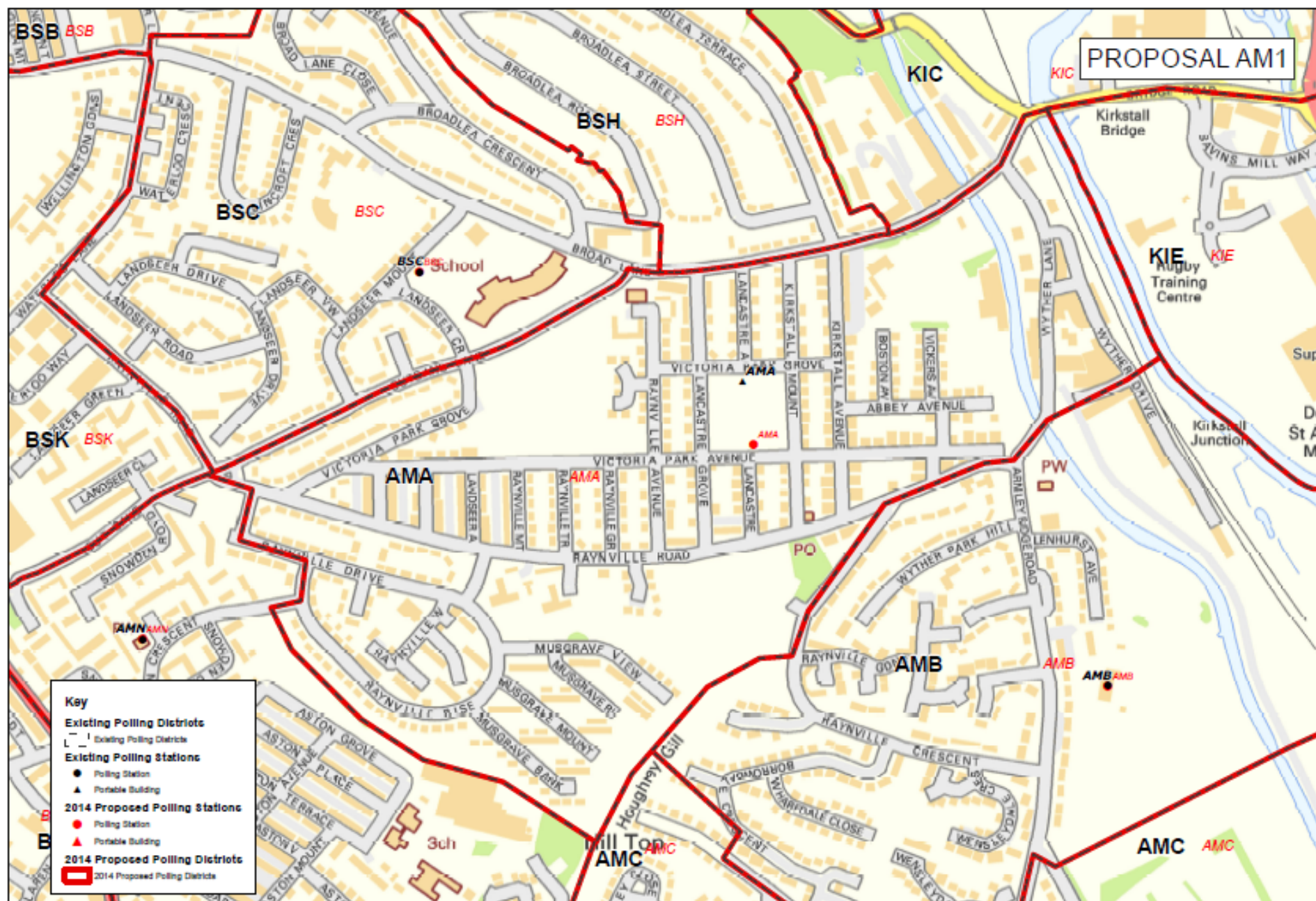


Proposal Reference No.	AM1.1
Ward	Armley
Polling district(s)	AMA
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on grassed area at junction of Victoria Park Grove and Raynville Road Leeds LS13 2RD
Electorate(s)	1718
Postal Voter(s)	262
Proposal submitted by	Lee Wright, Lilac Grove
Proposal detail	<p>I am emailing to make a provisional suggestion about an alternative location for a polling station, which could replace an existing portacabin in the Armley ward.</p> <p>Lilac Common House, Lilac Grove, Victoria Park Avenue, Kirkstall, LS5 2AG (Armley Ward)</p> <p>We are a housing co-operative (Lilac) based on the site of the former Wyther Park Primary School in Bramley</p> <p>In addition to our homes we own and run our own Common House, with accessible ground floor space with the entrance on Victoria Park Avenue. Is there a possibility that you may want to utilise our venue at next year's May elections?</p>
Revised electorate(s)	N/A
Officer comments	Officers have visited the Common House at Lilac Grove which has excellent access and facilities for electors and polling station staff. We fully support a move from the portable building to this new location.

Please note – should this be approved, it will be pending a final decision by the Lilac Residents Committee at their next meeting on 16 September 2014.

Should they take the decision not to agree to use of the Common Room as a polling station, the portable building would continue to be used in the absence of another suitable permanent building within the polling district.

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



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Originally brought to EWG on 16 July - updated	
Proposal Reference No.	BH1.1, BH1.2, BH1.3, BH1.4
Ward	Beeston & Holbeck
Polling district(s)	BHD
Polling station(s)	Dewsbury Road Social Club Dewsbury Road Beeston Leeds LS11 5LR
Electorate(s)	2170
Postal Voter(s)	312
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Adam Ogilvie (Lab) Beeston & Holbeck Ward (BH1.1), Supported by: Cllr David Congreve (Lab) Beeston & Holbeck Ward (BH1.2), Cllr Angela Gabriel (Lab) Beeston & Holbeck Ward (BH1.3) Hilary Benn MP (Lab) Leeds Central (BH1.4)
Proposal detail	Change the location of the polling station above to a Portable Building in the car park of the Broadway Pub on Dewsbury Road.
Revised electorate(s)	As above
Officer comments	<p>The Broadway Pub would permit the siting of a portable building in their car park for polling purposes.</p> <p>Officers ask EWG Members to note the current initiative to replace portable polling stations with permanent buildings due to cost incurred to the Council from increasing reluctance from Cabinet Office to fund portable buildings and the poor facilities available to polling station staff and the electorate.</p>

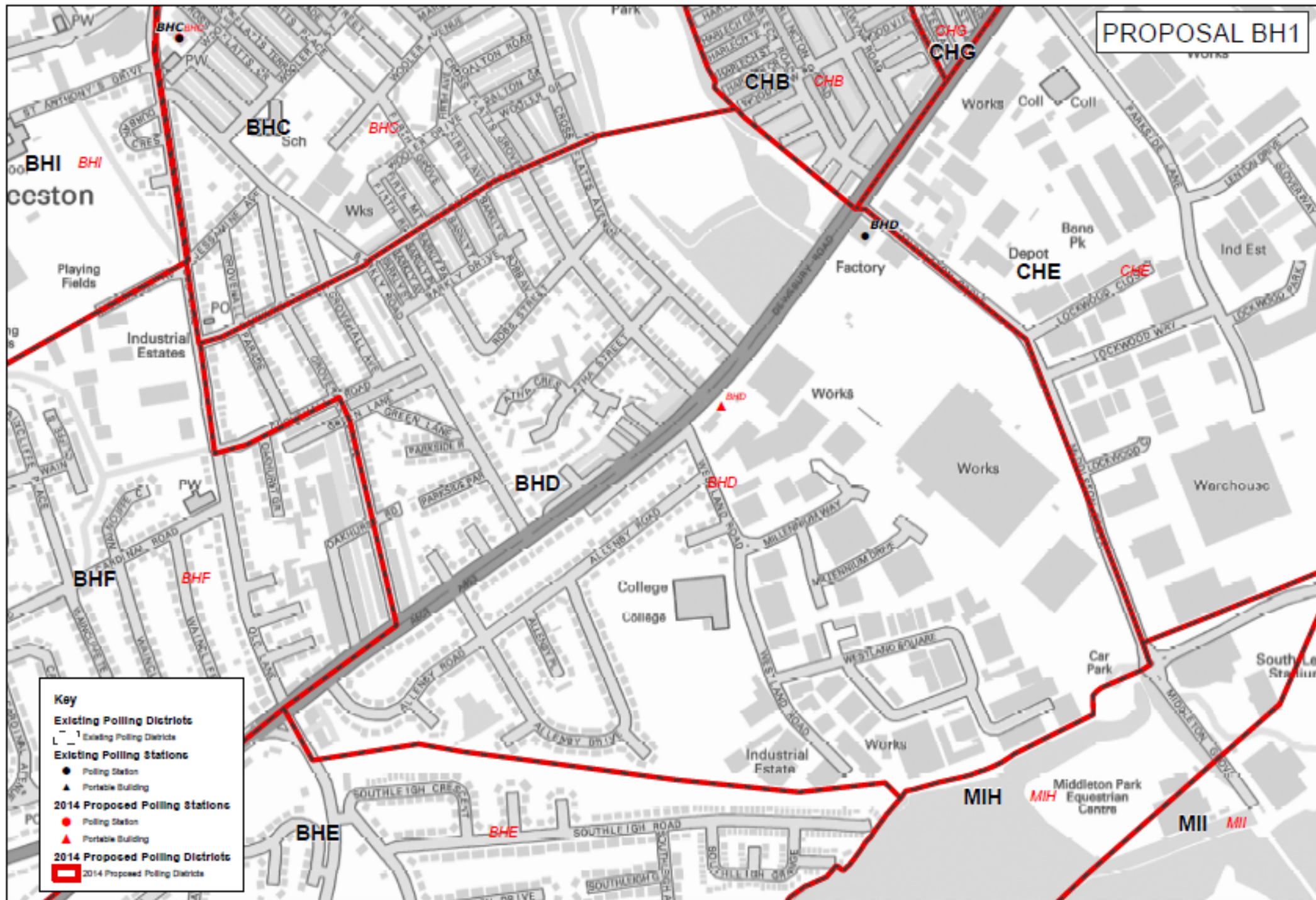
Updated after EWG on 16 July

Officers visited the polling district and were unable to locate a suitable alternative permanent building.

Officers recommend the polling station remains in the Dewsbury Road Social Club.

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.

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Originally brought to EWG on 16 July - updated	
Proposal Reference No.	CF1.1
Ward	Calverley & Farsley
Polling district(s)	CFC
Polling station(s)	Portable Building in car park of Woodhall Sports Ground Woodhall Lane Calverley Pudsey LS28 7TS
Electorate(s)	1430
Postal Voter(s)	281
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Andrew Carter (Con) Calverley & Farsley Ward Cllr Rod Wood (Con) Calverley & Farsley Ward
Proposal detail	Portable Building on Woodhall Lane - 1400 electors use this. They all live on the same side of the A647. The only alternative would be to approach Bradford University to see if we could use the newly refurbished Sports Pavilion, which sits in the grounds of the playing fields, and the portable building is adjacent to it. Failing this, you will have to leave the portable building as is.
Revised electorate(s)	N/A
Officer comments	Bradford University have been contacted and responded as follows: Having looked at this I am afraid we don't feel that we can offer the pavilion as a voting station although we are certainly content with the siting of a mobile unit for the day.

I think I indicated when we spoke that the spaces in there wouldn't in our opinion be conducive to your needs as there are no large rooms (in the manner of a community centre or school hall). The building is comprised of changing rooms and shower/wc facilities with the largest space being no more than 20 sqm. Add to that the labyrinthine nature of the building and I think we consider it simply unsuitable for such a use.

Officers have inspected the polling district and cannot identify another suitable permanent building.

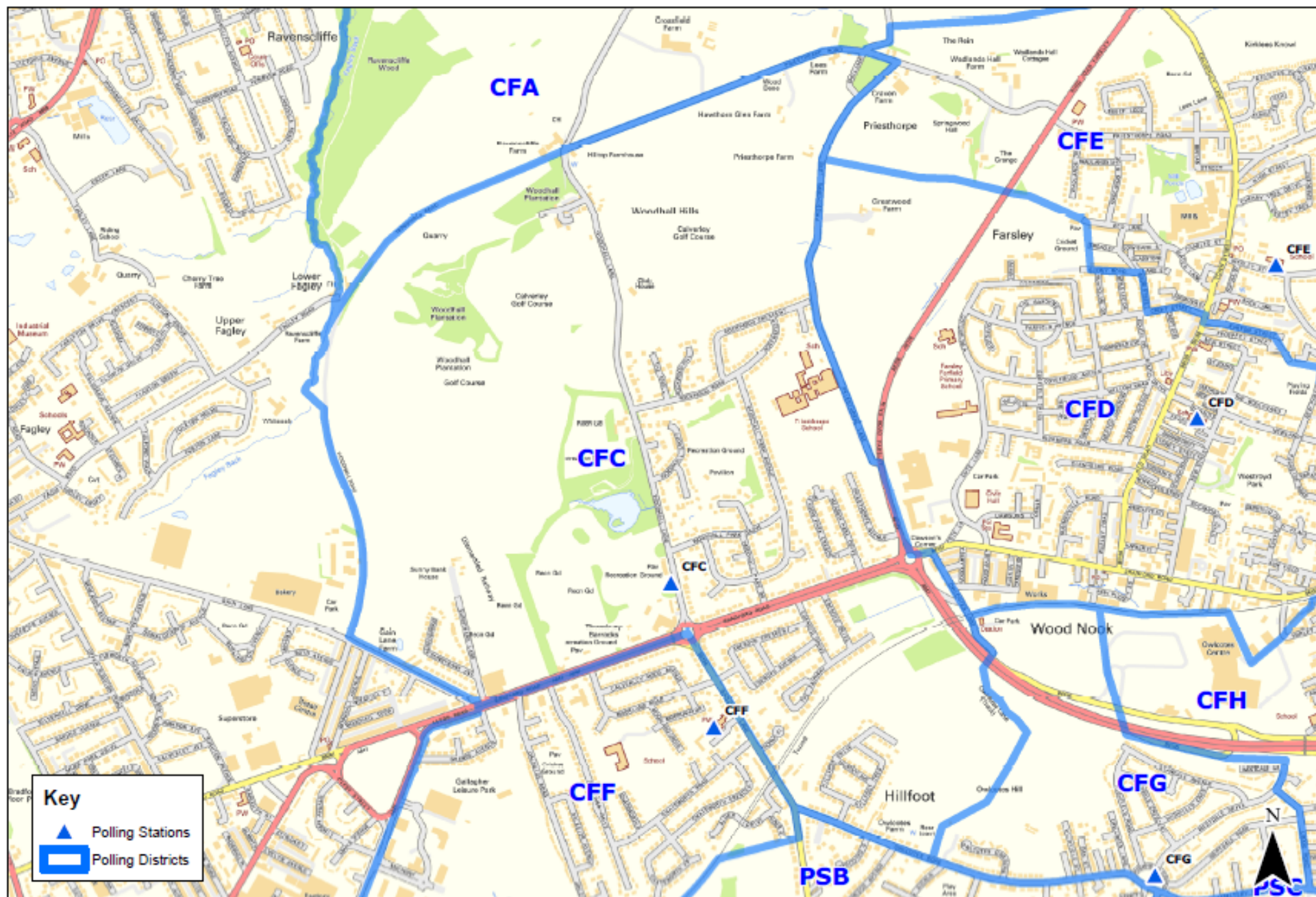
Updated after EWG on 16 July

Officers have inspected the Sports Pavilion which does not have a suitable room for polling.

Cllr Carter was not happy to endorse the use of Calverley Golf Club due to the distance on foot from the majority of the electors in the polling district.

Cllr Carter suggests the Polling Station remains in a portable building at the Sports Pavilion.

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



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Proposal Reference No.	CF2.1
Ward	Calverley & Farsley
Polling district(s)	CFB
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on car park of the former Owl Public House 1 Rodley Lane Rodley Leeds LS13 3LB
Electorate(s)	1198
Postal Voter(s)	211
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Andrew Carter (Con) Calverley & Farsley Ward Cllr Rod Wood (Con) Calverley & Farsley Ward
Proposal detail	Try and use the conservatory area of the pub instead now it has been refurbished and reopened.
Revised electorate(s)	N/A
Officer comments	<p>The conservatory has been inspected and is suitable for polling. The owners have agreed to use.</p> <p>This is a good opportunity to remove a portable building from the polling scheme.</p>

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



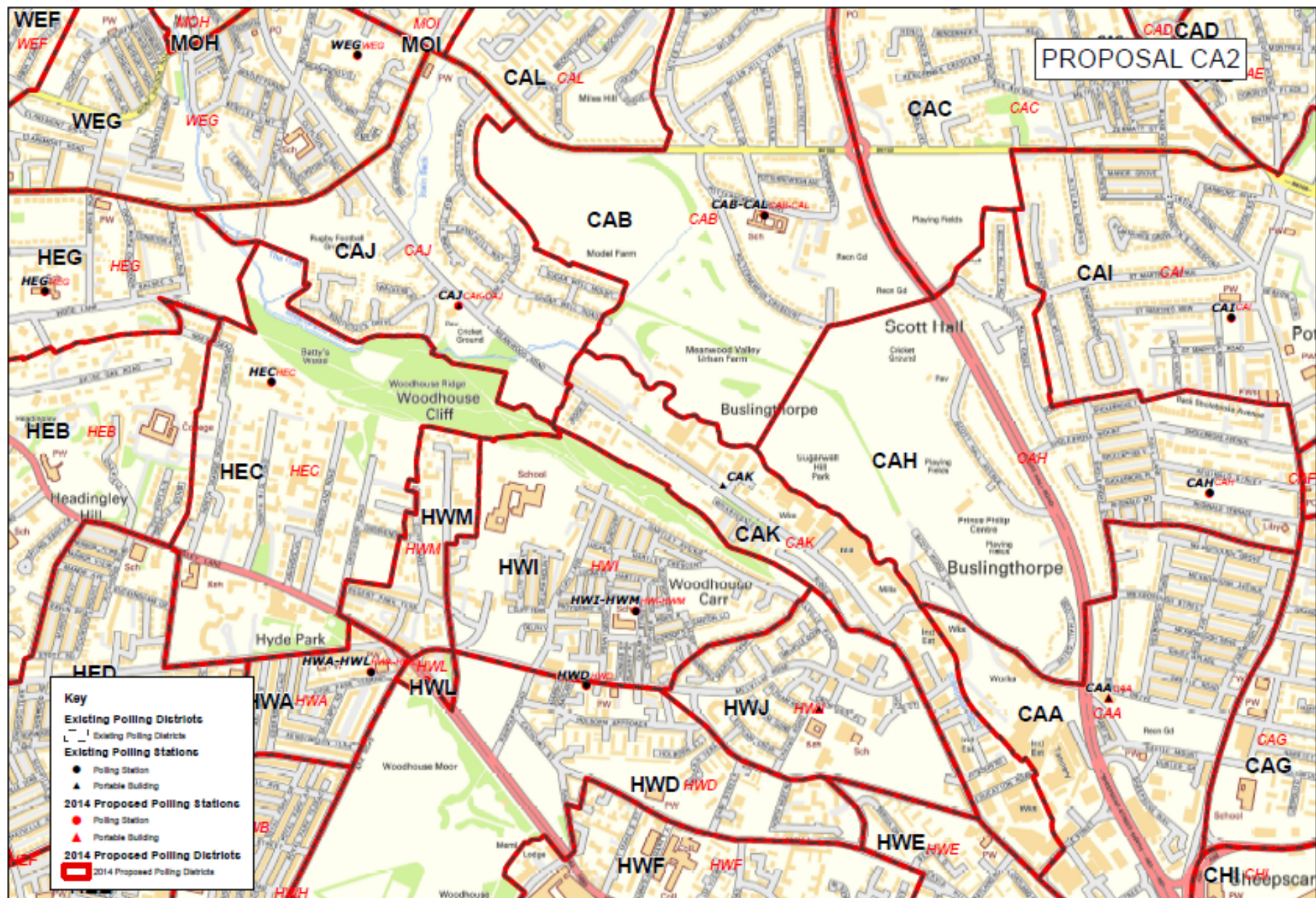
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Proposal Reference No.	CA1.1
Ward	Chapel Allerton
Polling district(s)	CAJ
Polling station(s)	Portable Building at Woodhouse Community Sports Club Meanwood Road Leeds LS6 4AW
Electorate(s)	898
Postal Voter(s)	116
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Jane Dowson (Lab) Chapel Allerton Ward
Proposal detail	To move from a portable building at the Sports Club into the Sports Club building itself.
Revised electorate(s)	n/a
Officer comments	<p>Officers visited the Sports Club and have identified a suitable room with the required facilities and access for electors and polling station staff.</p> <p>Officers support a move into the Sports Club.</p>

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



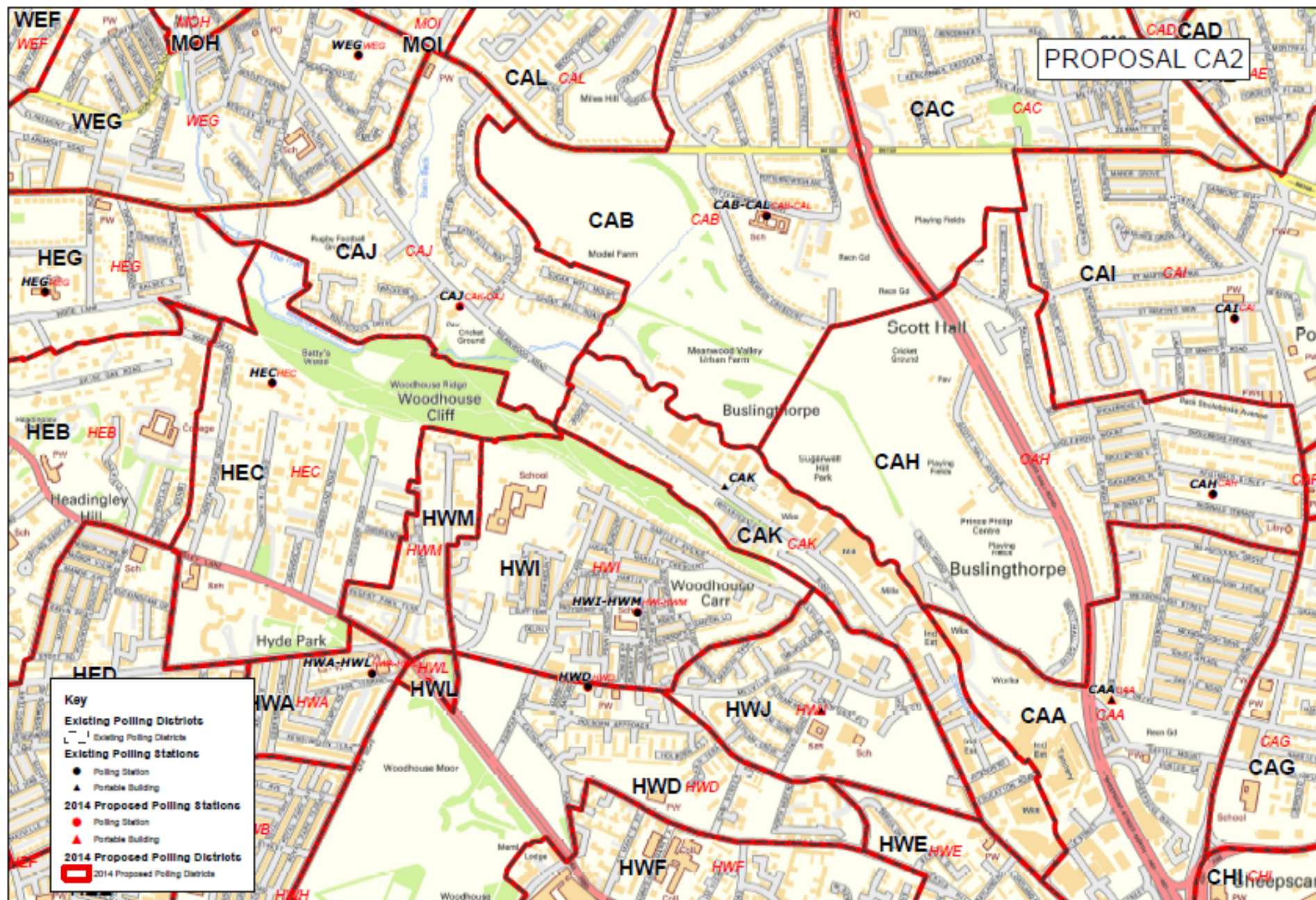
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Proposal Reference No.	CA2.1
Ward	Chapel Allerton
Polling district(s)	CAJ CAK
Polling station(s)	CAJ Portable Building at Woodhouse Community Sports Club Meanwood Road Leeds LS6 4AW CAK Portable Building on Meanwood Road (Near Clifdale Road) LS7 2JF
Electorate(s)	CAJ 898 CAK 974
Postal Voter(s)	CAJ 116 CAK 34
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Jane Dowson (Lab) Chapel Allerton Ward
Proposal detail	To merge the polling districts (to be called CAJ) with both voting at the location for CAJ (location subject to result of proposal CA1.1)
Revised electorate(s)	New CAJ 1872
Officer comments	Officers support the move, particularly as it would remove the requirement for a portable building.

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



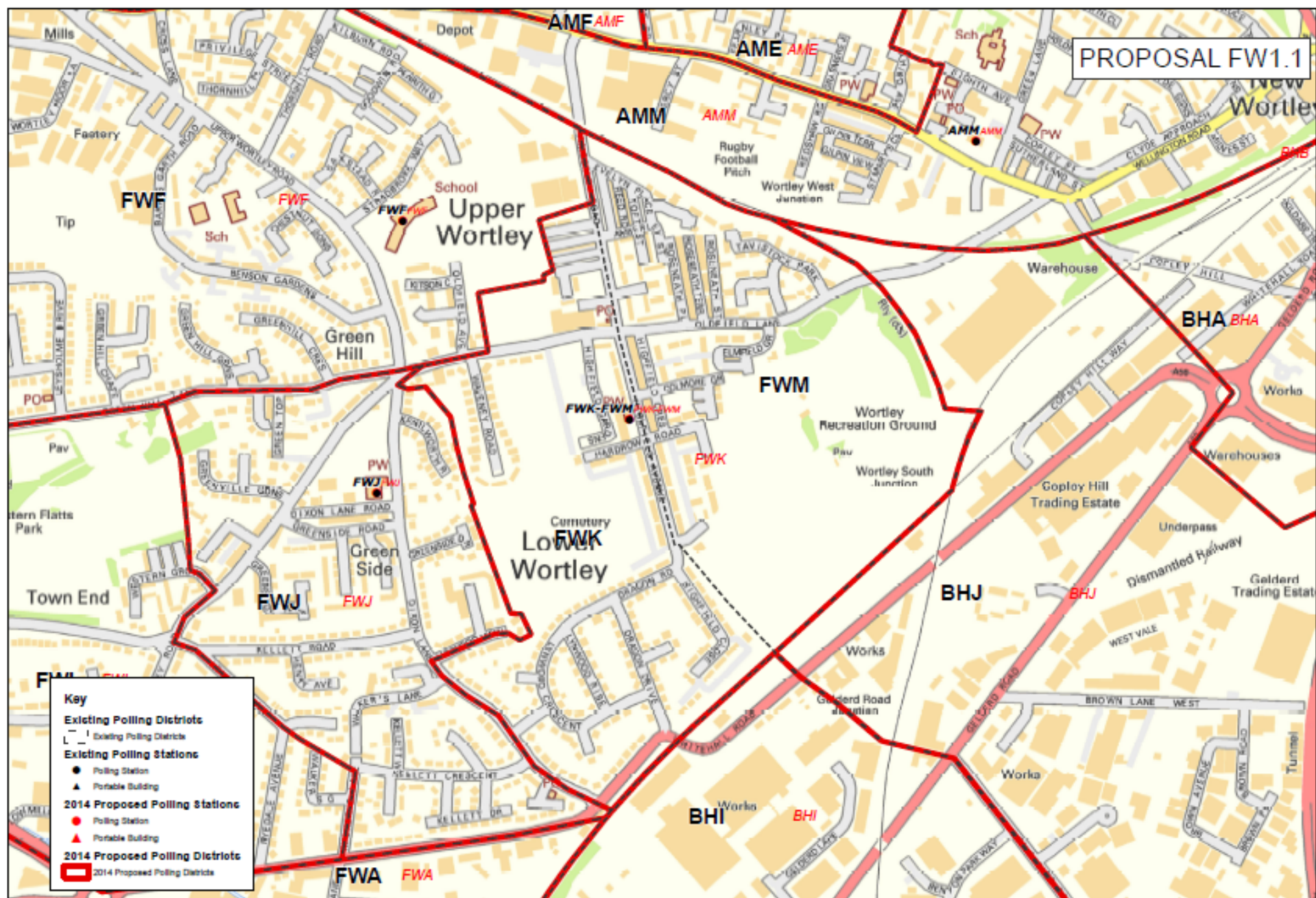
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Proposal Reference No.	FW1.1
Ward	Farnley & Wortley
Polling district(s)	FWK FWM
Polling station(s)	Highfield Methodist Church Highfield Avenue Wortley Leeds LS12 4BU
Electorate(s)	FWK - 811 FWM - 723
Postal Voter(s)	FWK - 107 FWM - 72
Proposal submitted by	Cllr David Blackburn (Green) Farnley & Wortley Ward
Proposal detail	Polling districts FWK and FWM vote at the same polling station and were separate because of previous electoral arrangements – they can now be merged.
Revised electorate(s)	New FWK – 1534
Officer comments	Agreed this makes sense – there is no longer a requirement for this area to be 2 separate polling districts.

EWG comments: Recommend the proposal be approved.



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Originally brought to EWG on 21 July - updated	
Proposal Reference No.	GH1.1
Ward	Gipton & Harehills Ward
Polling district(s)	GHA
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on Car Parking Area outside 58 & 60 Gipton Approach Leeds LS9 6NJ
Electorate(s)	882
Postal Voter(s)	145
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Roger Harington (Lab) Gipton & Harehills Ward
Proposal detail	Box A in Gipton and Harehills is at present a Portable building on Gipton Approach. The flats in Wykebeck Valley Road each have a room that would be big enough for a Polling station. Worth exploring.
Revised electorate(s)	n/a
Officer comments	<p>There are security issues due to the location of the community rooms in these flats. Electors would have to pass several people's front doors to get to the back of the building.</p> <p>Entrance to the blocks are via keypad access so security would be required on the door at all times.</p> <p>The Warden who showed Officers round had major concerns about electors wandering off into the flats themselves as they would pass the lifts and 2 staircases to get to the rooms.</p> <p>There are also parking issues in already busy car parks with residents double-parking.</p> <p>Officers do not feel that this is a suitable location for polling.</p>

Officers would like to recommend the merging of GHB with GHA for the purposes of voting. GHA vote at the Dame Fanny Waterman Community Centre, just over the boundary from GHB (shown on the map)

This would make the combined electorate for the Community Centre 1570 with postal votes taken off.

The combined number of electors who voted at the polling stations GHA and GHB for the May 2014 elections was 325.

The room used in the Community Centre is large enough to facilitate the additional electors.

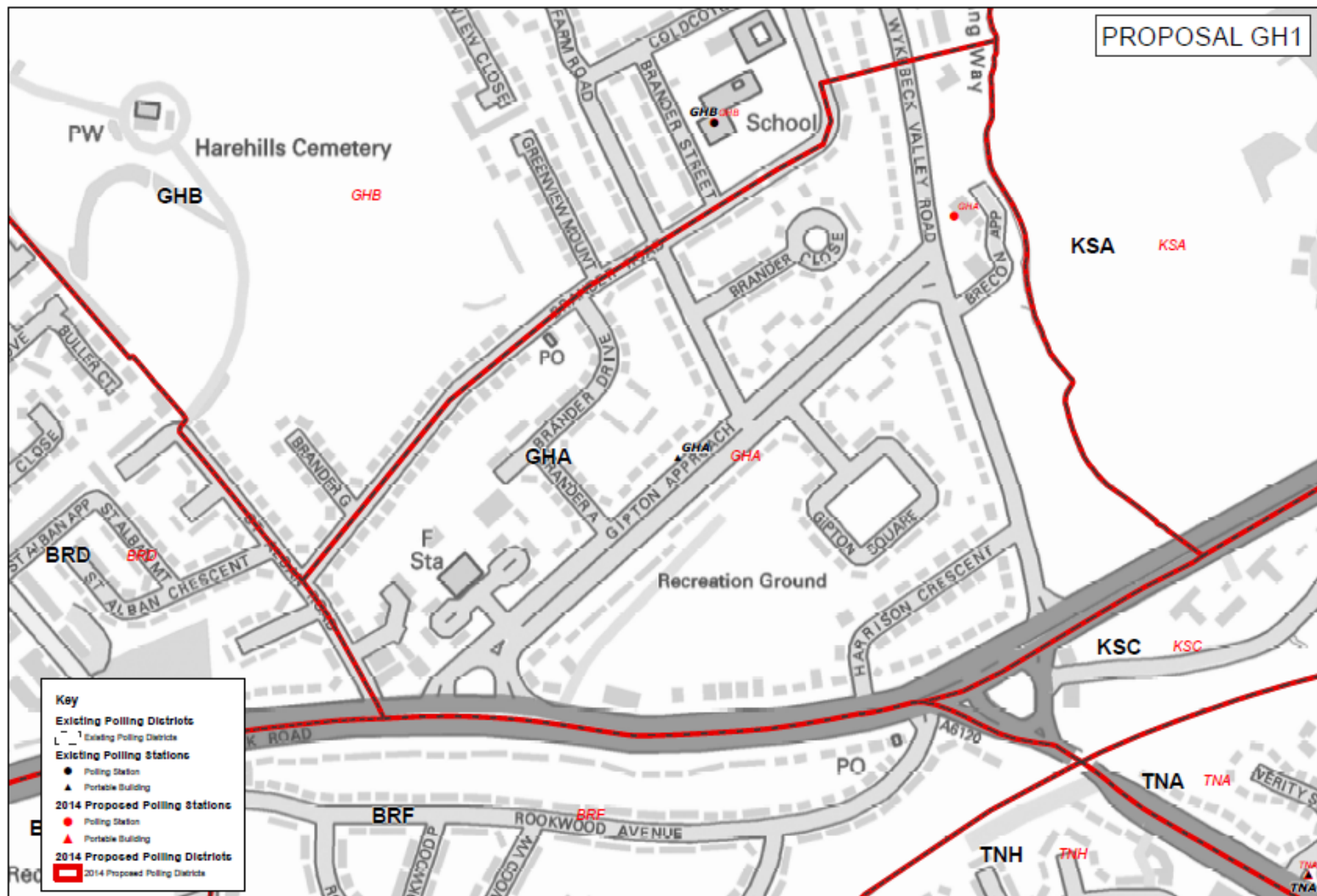
Updated after EWG on 21 July

The following response was received from Cllr Roger Harington, with Cllrs Hussain and Maqsood copied in:

I appreciate why the flats aren't suitable.

There is also the Wykebeck Valley Day Centre, in Wykebeck Valley Road, but it's very close to the Dame Waterman Centre.

So I guess the latter would be the best option...if you really do have to do without the portacabins?



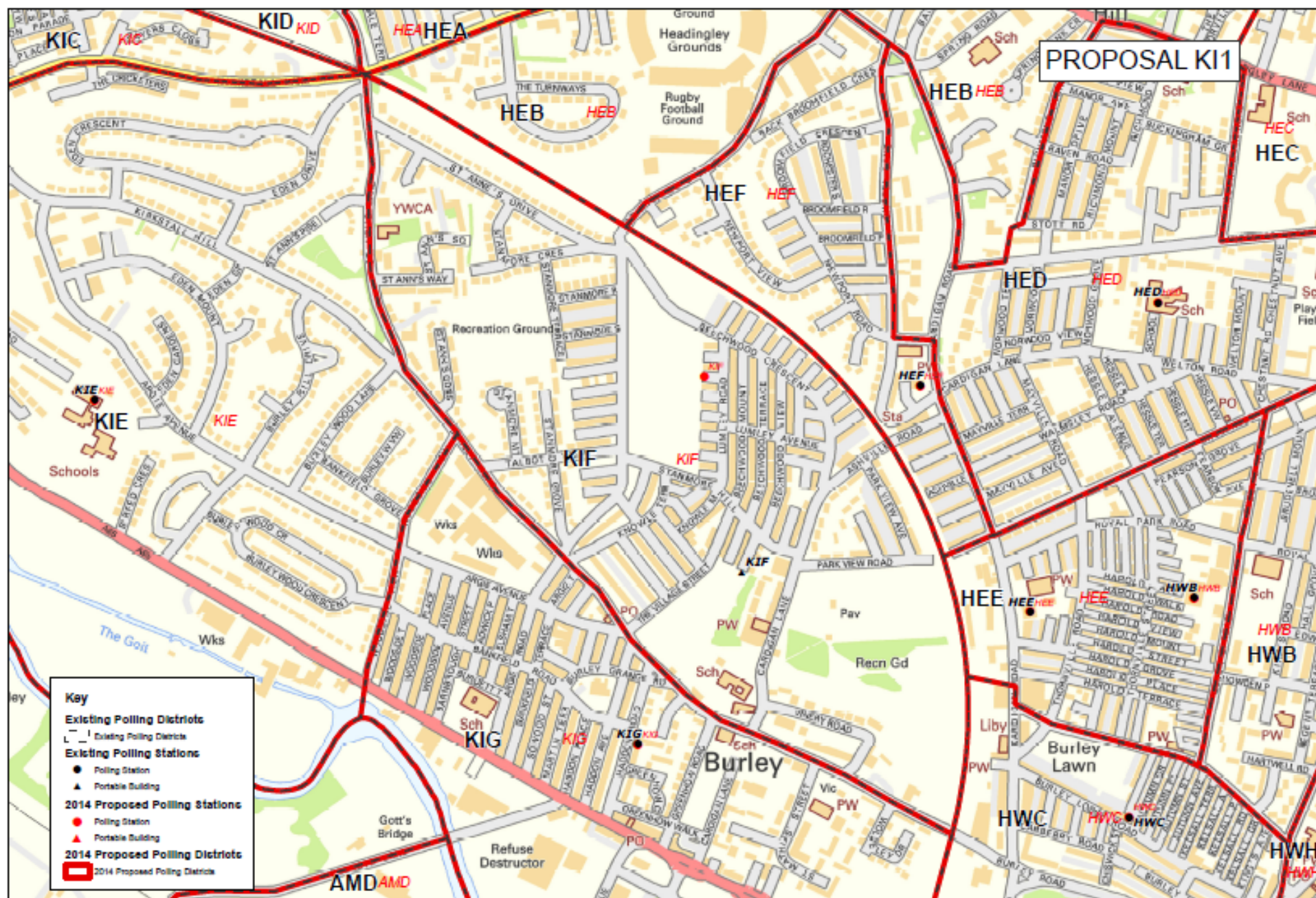
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Originally brought to EWG on 21 July – to be updated	
Proposal Reference No.	KI1.1
Ward	Kirkstall
Polling district(s)	KIF
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on land at Village Place Kirkstall Leeds LS4 2NT
Electorate(s)	2091
Postal Voter(s)	183
Proposal submitted by	Cllr Fiona Venner (Lab) Kirkstall Ward Cllr Lucinda Yeadon (Lab) Kirkstall Ward Cllr John Illingworth (Lab) Kirkstall Ward
Proposal detail	Cllrs Yeadon, Illingworth and myself wondered about using Burley Model Allotments building instead of the Portocabin for KIF in Kirkstall.
Revised electorate(s)	n/a
Officer comments	<p>Officers visited the Burley Model Allotments building. The building is a large shed split into 2 very small rooms and is unsuitable for polling. The Allotments are also very difficult to locate as there are several locked entrances on the roads surrounding them.</p> <p><u>Updated after EWG on 21 July</u> To be updated</p>

EWG Comments: Recommend proposal be approved.



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Proposal Reference No.	MI1.1
Ward	Middleton Park
Polling district(s)	MIF
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on grassed area near junction of Old Run Road and West Grange Drive Belle Isle Leeds LS10 3AZ
Electorate(s)	2154
Postal Voter(s)	232
Proposal submitted by	Councillor Paul Truswell (Lab) Middleton Park
Proposal detail	Look at the possibility of using West Grange Church, West Grange Drive, as a polling station for PD MIF (currently served by the portable building on the grassed area at the junction of Old Run Road/West Grange Drive).
Revised electorate(s)	n/a
Officer comments	<p>Officers have visited West Grange Church and identified a suitable room for use with all the necessary access and facilities for electors and polling station staff.</p> <p>Officers support the move from a portable building into the church.</p>

EWG Comments: Recommend proposal be approved



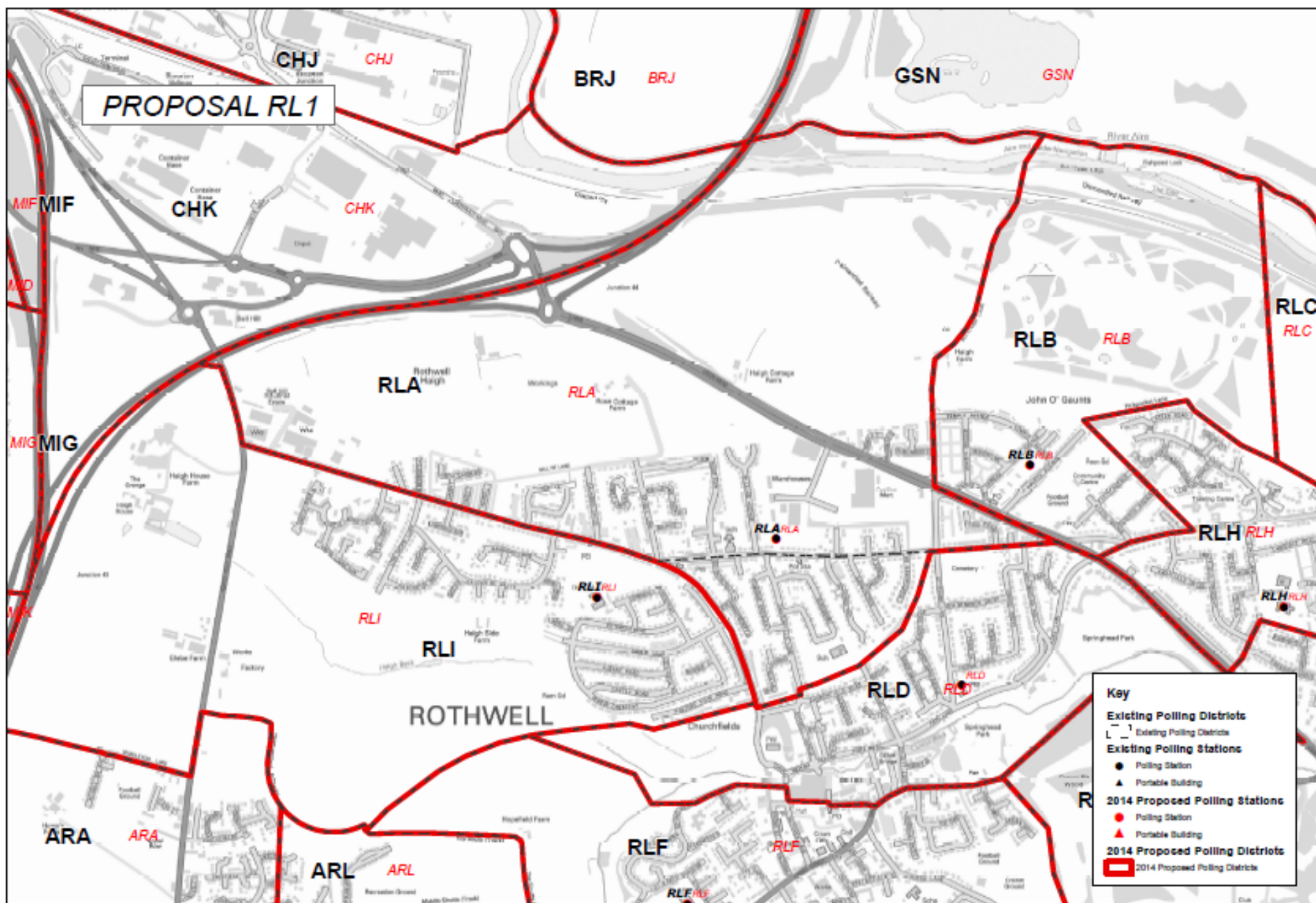
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Proposal Reference No.	RL1.1
Ward	Rothwell
Polling district(s)	RLA RLI
Polling station(s)	RLA – Haigh Road Community Centre, Haigh Road RLI – Rothwell Victoria Junior School, Cornwall Crescent
Electorate(s)	RLA 1772 RLI 2969
Postal Voter(s)	RLA 292 RLI 521
Proposal submitted by	Ward Councillors and electors
Proposal detail	At a recent review it was discovered that there was an anomaly to the boundary of RLA and RLI which was corrected in time for the publication of the revised register on 17 February 2014. Proposals have been received to redraw the boundary to reflect the incorrect arrangements so that the electors affected can return to vote at RLA.
Revised electorate(s)	RLA – 2506 RLI - 2235
Officer comments	Officers are happy for the boundary to be amended to reflect the arrangements that have been incorrectly in place, as this is the wish of all involved.

EWG Comments: Recommend proposal be approved



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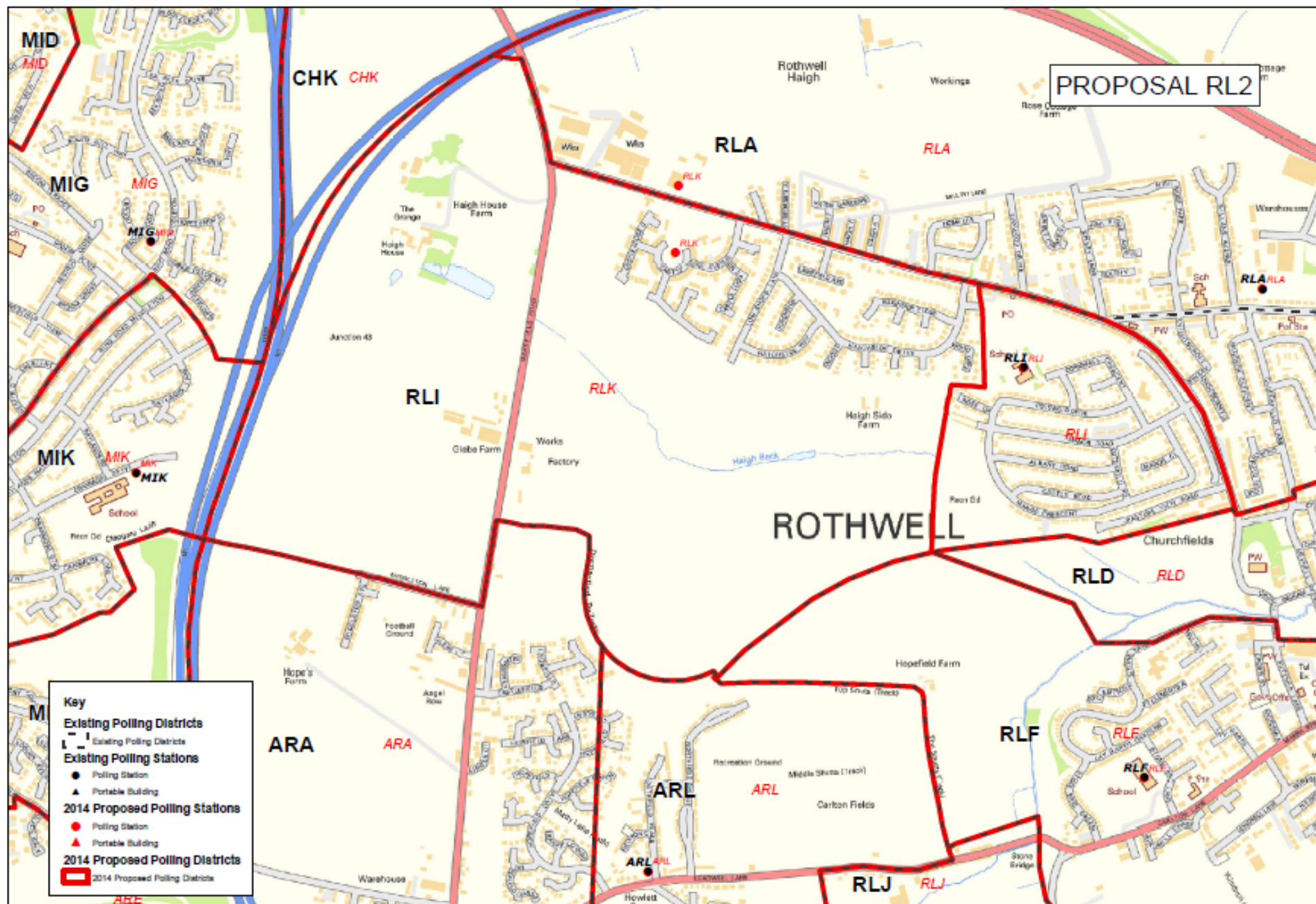
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Proposal Reference No.	RL2.1
Ward	Rothwell
Polling district(s)	RLI
Polling station(s)	Rothwell Victoria Junior School Cornwall Crescent Rothwell LS26 0RL
Electorate(s)	2969
Postal Voter(s)	521
Proposal submitted by	Councillor Stewart Golton, Rothwell Ward
Proposal detail	Voters on the Castle Lodge Estate and the Haigh Side Estate are currently associated with Rothwell Victoria School or Haigh Road Community Centre, both of which are inconvenient with insufficient parking available. I would suggest that an alternative polling station is made available. There is a garden centre close by with ample parking and a community room in the tower on the Castle Lodge Estate, these should be investigated as alternative polling station sites, otherwise I would like a porta-cabin option investigated that might be situated at the top of Low Shops Lane.
Revised electorate(s)	RLI 1666 RLK 1303
Officer comments	<p>To divide the polling district so that the above mentioned estates are included in a new polling district RLK. (see map attached).</p> <p>Rothwell Garden Centre is located outside of the polling district. Officers have visited Rothwell Garden Centre and were informed there is no individual room available, however the Centre Manager is prepared to make room available in the</p>

	<p>Conservatory, but this would also be open to customers. Electors who do not have transport would need to cross a very busy main road.</p> <p>Because of these two factors Officers feel that this location is unsuitable.</p> <p>Officers have inspected a suitable room in The Tower on the Castle Lodge Estate which has all the necessary facilities for electors and polling station staff.</p> <p>Officers therefore recommend that Members consider a move to The Tower.</p>
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EWG Comments: Recommend proposal be approved



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Originally brought to EWG on 29 July - updated	
Proposal Reference No.	RL3.1
Ward	Rothwell
Polling district(s)	RLG
Polling station(s)	Portable Building on Wordsworth Drive Oulton Park Leeds LS26 8EP
Electorate(s)	469
Postal Voter(s)	66
Proposal submitted by	Mike Stoddart – Polling Station Inspector at 2014 elections
Proposal detail	The siting of the portable building at Wordsworth Drive due to parked vehicles this year meant it was hidden in the trees and not as visible as usual and there were no toilets provided. A move to Rothwell Sports Centre would certainly be more effective...and cheaper
Revised electorate(s)	469
Officer comments	<p>Officers have visited the sports Centre which has a suitable room available on the ground floor.</p> <p>We support a move which would see the removal of a portable building.</p> <p><u>Updated after EWG on 29 July</u></p> <p>Ward members were emailed to ask for their agreement.</p> <p>Of the responses received 1 was in agreement for the proposal and 1 requires more time to discuss the proposal but</p>

	would prefer the polling station to remain within the housing estate.
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EWG Comments: Recommend proposal be approved

