REPORT FROM THE TASK AND FINISH GROUP - CHANGE OF NAME FROM CRADLEY PARISH COUNCIL TO CRADLEY AND STORRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL. Dated 8th June 2018

T&FG members: Councillors Sarah Thomas and Geoff Fielding.

Cradley Parish Council Proposed Change of Name

For some time it has been widely recognised that the name of the Parish Council serving the residents and businesses of Cradley Parish does not incorporate the name of the village of Storridge. The Parish Council considers that a change of name would better reflect the identity and character of the Parish. It has thus resolved to change its name to Cradley and Storridge Parish Council and intends to apply to Herefordshire County Council to make the change.

Section 75 of the Local Government Act 1972 states:-

(1) At the request of the parish council or, where there is no parish council, at the request of the parish meeting, the council of the district in which the parish is situated may change the name of the parish.

PUBLIC COUNSULTATION:

Notices were placed in all the parish notice boards and in the CMS newsletter for the months of April and May inviting comments by 8th June 2018.

Of the comments received by the T&F group in support of the proposal were from:

Kenneth and Linda Fyfe WR13 5ES
Andrew Burnett and Linda Atkinson WR13 5ES
Paul Thomas WR13 5ES
Roger and Maureen Penson WR13 5ES
Julian Norbury
Peter Neale and Martin Tudge WR13 5HE
Liz Kabani WR13 5HE
Seonaid Barber

Of the comments received by the T&F group against the proposal were from:

Tania and Norman Roberts WR13 5JZ

This has resulted in a percentage of 88.9 for the proposal and 11.1 Against, based on emails received

This has resulted in a percentage of 85.72 for the proposal and 14.28 against based on individuals

Recommendation:

The task and finish group recommend the agenda proposal to send the request to Herefordshire County Council to change the name of Cradley Parish Council to that of Cradley and Storridge Parish Council.