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**Bcc:** [Charter Trustees](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Community Governance Review outcome and Taunton Shadow Town Council  
**Date:** 21 October 2022 15:31:00  
**Attachments:** [Decision Notice.pdf](#)  
[The Somerset \(Somerset West and Taunton\) \(Reorganisation of Community Governance\) Order 2022.pdf](#)

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Dear Charter Trustees for Taunton,

**RE: Community Governance Review outcome and Taunton Shadow Town Council**

I am writing to you to advise you of the outcome of the Community Governance Review of the unparished area of Taunton and eight neighbouring parishes. The report on the outcome of the second stage consultation and final recommendations was considered by Somerset West and Taunton Council on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and Somerset County Council on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022. I have attached a copy of the decision notice, which includes the reason for the decisions.

I have also included a copy of the Reorganisation Order. This includes the following section:

Until the councillors elected to the council of the new parish of Taunton at the elections to be held on the ordinary day of election of councillors in 2023 come into office, the new parish shall be represented by those persons who immediately before 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 are the elected county councillors for each division all or part of which falls within the area of the new Taunton Parish and/or are members of the Charter Trustees for Taunton, together with up to two persons to be nominated before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 by Comeytrowe Parish Council, up to one person to be nominated before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 by Staplegrove Parish Council and up to one person to be nominated before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 by Cheddon Fitzpaine Parish Council.

As you will see from the above, we would like to invite all Charter Trustees to be on the Shadow Town Council to ensure that the views of the Charter Trustees are included as part of the implementation phase and setting up of the new Taunton Town Council.

The dates for the meetings are:

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 at 6pm

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 at 6pm

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023 at 6pm

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023 at 6pm

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 6pm

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 6pm

The meetings will be held in person in the JMR at Deane House.

Kind Regards,

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