

COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW

STAMFORDHAM

CONSULTATION RESPONSES

I wish to support the proposal to de-ward Stamfordham Parish.
The present three wards are an unnecessary complication of all aspects of elections, councillors' work, etc.

I have to admit that until I read of the Review in September's Stamfordham Communicator, I was unaware of the Ward system within the parish. I have just tried unsuccessfully to find out more from the Parish Council website, eg which ward I am in and who is my representative. Perhaps that gives a message, namely that the Ward system is not necessary in an age where most people have access to the internet or a telephone and can communicate with any of the Parish Councillors as they see fit. In the days without telephones or easy motor transport, it was perhaps more important to know of one person who could be approached with problems.

In summary, I would support the idea of discontinuing the Ward system in favour of a regime where all 7 councillors represented the whole parish.