REPORT TO:

FINANCE & MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE

DATE OF MEETING:

17TH JUNE 2004

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AGENDA ITEM:

REPORT FROM:

LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC

SERVICES MANAGER

MEMBERS'

PAUL SPENCER

CONTACT POINT:

(595722)

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SUBJECT:

PROPOSED CHANGES TO

POSTCODES

REF: PDS/KW

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AFFECTED:

REFERENCE: FM14

1.0 Recommendation

1.1 That the Members' comments be submitted to the Royal Mail in response to the consultation on proposed changes to postcodes.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To consider a consultation document from Royal Mail about proposed changes to postal codes affecting properties within South Derbyshire.

3.0 Detail

- 3.2 The Royal Mail has issued a consultation document on proposed changes to postal codes in the Derby "DE73 1" area. A copy of the letter of consultation is attached to provide background and the closing date for representations is 2nd July 2004. From research with the Royal Mail it has been confirmed that the geographical area affected includes part of Stenson, Twyford, Barrow-on-Trent, Ingleby, Swarkestone, Stanton-by-Bridge, Kings Newton, Melbourne and Ticknall. The Royal Mail confirmed that the restructuring of postal codes in this area is required due to the amount of development taking place.
- 3.2 At the Melbourne Area Meeting on 5th May 2004, this issue was raised by the Secretary to the Ingleby Parish Meeting. Residents are concerned about the requirement to change their postal code, particularly as there is no substantial development within many of the villages affected. The Area Meeting agreed to refer this matter to the appropriate policy committee, to seek the Council's support and so that representations could be made to the Royal Mail.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None arising directly from this report.

5.0 Conclusions

5.1 Accordingly, Members' comments are sought on the proposed postcode changes.

6.0 Background Papers

6.1 Correspondence from Royal Mail and Secretary to Ingleby Parish Meeting