

PRESS RELEASE

Bradpole Civil Parish is to be abolished and the Parish Council dissolved on the 1st April 2024 under a Dorset Council Re-organisation of Community Governance Order.

A new Bradpole Ward is to be created with boundaries encompassing the old civil parish area together with some adjacent residential areas increasing the population from the existing 2300 to around 3000.

The new Ward will fall within the enlarged Bridport Town Council area.

Local elections are scheduled to be held on 2nd May 2024 to form a newly expanded Bridport Town Council. From 1st April until the elections, the parish area will be administered by the current Bridport Town Council.

Whilst the existing parish councillors will be standing down on 1st April Bradpole's two clerks will be transferring to Bridport Town Council providing continuity for residents.

The 10 sitting Parish Councillors are creating an archive document of Bradpole Parish Council (1894 ~ 2024) to provide an enduring legacy. It is planned to launch this in April shortly after the dissolution of the Parish Council.

The final Bradpole Parish Council meeting will be held on 14th March at 7.30pm in Bradpole Forster Village Hall, Higher Street Bradpole. Members of the community and the Press are welcome to attend.

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