

## Alfrick and Leigh

Polling district	Polling Station	Current Electorate
AFL1 - Alfrick,	Alfrick Village Hall, Alfrick, WR6 5HJ	451
AFL2 - Bransford,	Leigh and Bransford Memorial Hall, Sherridge Road, WR13 5DE	378
AFL3 - Doddenham,	The Talbot at Knightwick, Bromyard Road, WR6 5PH	217
AFL4 - Knightwick	The Talbot at Knightwick, Bromyard Road, WR6 5PH	87
AFL5 - Lulsey	Alfrick Village Hall, Alfrick, WR6 5HJ	107
AFL6 – Leigh Hurst	Leigh and Bransford Memorial Hall, Sherridge Road, WR13 5DE	289
AFL7 – Leigh Sinton	Leigh and Bransford Primary School, Leigh Sinton, Malvern, WR13 5DX	905
AFL8 - Suckley	Suckley Village Hall, Suckley, Worcester, WR6 5ED	486
<p><b>Planned housing developments to 2023:</b> There are no significant housing developments scheduled in this ward over the next 5 years.</p>		
<p><b>Comments received from stakeholders</b></p>		
<p>One voter phoned to say that “part of stocks lane is in AFL2, and feel it would be better to be part of AFL7 with the rest of our neighbours, as the school is a more convenient polling station for us”.</p> <p>Leigh and Bransford Memorial Hall - 2 voters responded to survey: “I live in Bransford and I feel this polling station is too far to walk to and so I have to drive. It’s a 40 minute walk with little or no footpaths”. Another voter said: This [memorial hall] polling station is approximately 100 yards from my front door. Why do I have to get in my car and drive 1.5 miles to the polling station in Leigh Sinton School to vote? It makes sense that voters should use the station closest to their home.”</p> <p>Leigh and Bransford Primary School – 4 voters and 2 other stakeholders responded to survey. All respondents said that it is impacting children’s education as the school has to close to be used as a polling station. The school also has a small car park. 5 voters suggested that Leigh and Bransford memorial hall would be sufficient to act</p>		

as a polling station for this area too.

Suckley village hall – one voter responded to survey to say parking and access is good.

**(Acting) Returning Officer Comments**

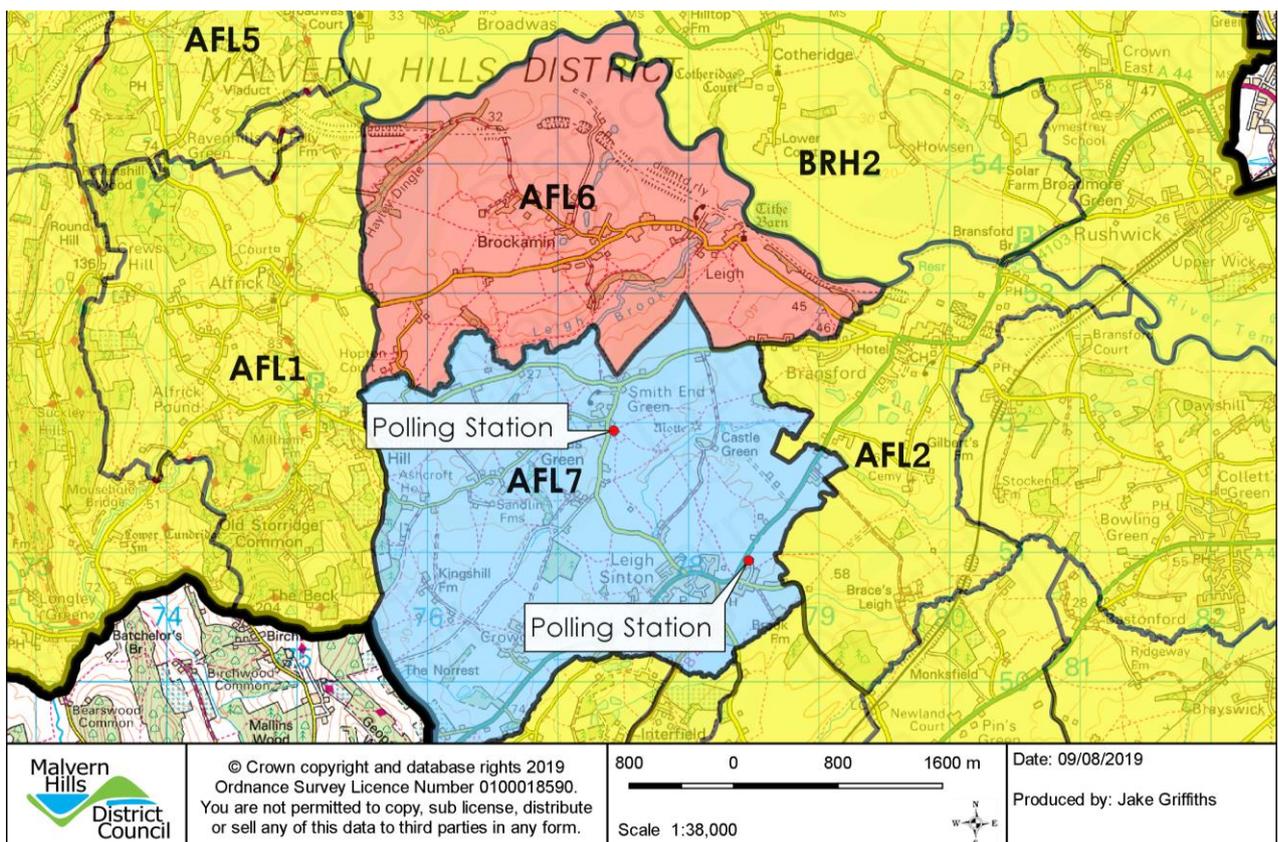
Part of stocks lane cannot be moved as this is where the parish boundary between AFL2 (Bransford) and AFL7 (Leigh Hurst) is and moving parish boundaries is not in scope of this review.

There are a number of voters in AFL7 (particularly Sherridge road), where it would be more convenient for them to vote at the Memorial Hall, and as AFL6 and AFL7 are within the same parish boundary, this would be feasible. We would always endeavour to use alternative venues to schools where possible. We explored the option of the Royal Oak but it did not have a separate function room, so would not be suitable for use as a polling place. We also assessed Malvern Martial Arts Centre as an alternative but this has a large step going in to the entrance and is not accessible.

**(Acting) Returning Officer Proposal**

Redraw AFL6 and AFL7 polling district boundaries so that people north of Sherridge Road vote in the memorial hall (affected roads: Ashfields, Coles Green, Sandlin, Sherridge Road, (part of), Smith End Green).

**AFL6 and AFL7 current boundary:**



**AFL6 and AFL7 proposed boundary:**

