# **Community of Usk**

### **Current Community Format**

1. The community of Usk is currently unwarded. The community has a total electorate of 1957 and is represented by 12 community councillors. The community can be summarised as follows:

Community Ward	Electorate	Number of Councillors
Usk	1957	12

## **Natural Boundaries / Key Features**

2. The working group consider key features within the community of Usk to be the River Usk to the west of the community as well as Bridge Street, The Parade, Monmouth Road, the A472 and the Olway Brook.

#### **Electorate Forecast**

3. Within the community of Usk there is an additional 115 properties proposed to be built which could increase the electorate by 230 electors.

### **Representations Received**

4. No representations were received regarding the community arrangements in Usk.

#### Recommendations

5. The working group considered the current arrangements for the community of Usk and propose no change to the existing boundary of the community. The community has a natural boundary in the River Usk to the west of the community with the existing community following the Olway Brook to the east.

#### **Proposed Community and Community Ward Names**

6. The working group propose no change in name to the community of Usk.

#### **Proposed Electoral Arrangements**

7. The working group consider the community of Usk to fall within the urban category for elector/councillor ratio resulting in an ideal ratio of 500 electors per councillor. The above

changes to the community boundaries will result in the following electoral arrangements for the community.

As per the Terms of Reference, it was agreed that a community must be represented by a minimum of seven councillors in order to conduct their business effectively. To that end, the Usk community will be represented by seven councillors rather than four as per the above ratio.

Community Ward	Electorate	Number of Councillors
Usk	2187	7

## **Working Group Individual Member Comments**

11. All members of the working group approved the proposals for the community of Usk.

