

Community Governance Review (alignment of parish council elections)

SURVEY RESPONSE REPORT

28 July 2025 - 08 September 2025

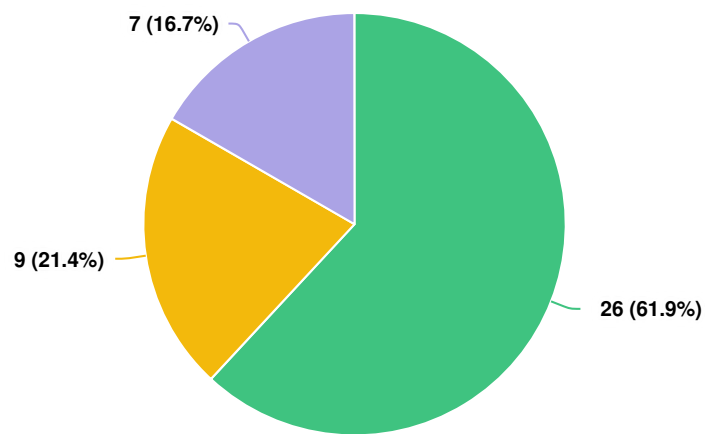
PROJECT NAME:

Community Governance Review



SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1 | Do you support the postponement of the scheduled election in 2026 until 2027 and then four-yearly thereafter.



Question options

● Yes ● No ● Not applicable

*Mandatory Question (42 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question*

Q2 Please provide reasons for the above and/or further comment below

Anonymous

7/28/2025 03:28 PM

Saves the election section extra work!

Anonymous

7/28/2025 03:33 PM

Saves money

Anonymous

8/01/2025 01:15 PM

I live in Wetheral parish

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:39 PM

This is undemocratic, you are taking the right of the Dalston Parish Electorate to vote for change to their Cllr. A vast majority of the electorate will not see this consultation and therefore it will be done to them without consultation. You must engage with every individual that this potential decision impacts on. Imagine if Reform was in power and Farage said he was delaying the next election by a year....there would be uproar. Do the right thing and let the locals of Dalston vote for change if they want it. The election could be for a Cllr position for 1 year only, if they were any good they would be voted in again in 2027 anyway.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:42 PM

Save money

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:11 PM

Do not live there.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:24 PM

It's logicsl

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:44 PM

Easier and less confusing

Anonymous

8/01/2025 06:16 PM

We are due the election in 2026 and that's when it should be. Bring all the others to 2026. Also Dalston is only 4 miles from Carlisle and around 40 miles from Workington. Please answer why we are not in Carlisle council which is so much closer. An answer would be appreciated. Davidson Bell.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 07:36 PM

It restricts openness and fresh faces being appointed

Anonymous

8/01/2025 10:42 PM

As long as the Councillors concerned are happy to stand for the extra year. If not, hopefully someone else could be co-opted for the interim year. It makes sense to save money by holding all elections at the same time and hopefully use the money on something worthwhile locally.

Anonymous

8/02/2025 08:46 AM

Makes sense re. Resources

Anonymous

8/02/2025 09:50 AM

To save money

Anonymous

8/02/2025 01:22 PM

your just running scared of the reform party, shame on you.

Anonymous

8/02/2025 01:27 PM

Will reduce polling costs for DalstonPC

Anonymous

8/02/2025 05:47 PM

A further indication of labour policy to deny election rights and therefor denying democratic processes.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 12:40 PM

It seems entirely sensible to make these changes as they will: - save money, - reduce the volume of communications required to make people aware of the elections, - improve voter turnout by reducing confusion, the number of times they need to vote and making a single voting event more impactful.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 03:58 PM

It aligns County, local and parish council elections to be on the same day. This will help in maximising voter turnout whilst minimising the costs to the respective councils.

Anonymous

8/04/2025 09:48 AM

It makes sense to save money.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 02:03 PM

I want an opportunity to vote at the due date for this council, not extend their time in office without mandate. You won't read this though and will simply ride roughshod over anything anyone says.

Anonymous

8/07/2025 07:14 PM

No, the community should be able to vote those who prepresent them and by extending the term of the sitting councillors, that is not the case.

Anonymous

8/08/2025 08:10 AM

Makes sense to save tax payers money

Anonymous

8/27/2025 03:24 PM

No election should be moved for convenience.

Anonymous

9/03/2025 11:24 AM

Easier

Anonymous

9/03/2025 05:04 PM

IT WOULD BE EASIER TO PLAN COUNCIL BUSINESS AT
REGULAR INTERVALS

Anonymous

9/03/2025 08:42 PM

In order for all communities affected to made fully aware of potential changes

Anonymous

9/03/2025 09:02 PM

I want to cast my vote as soon as possible.

Anonymous

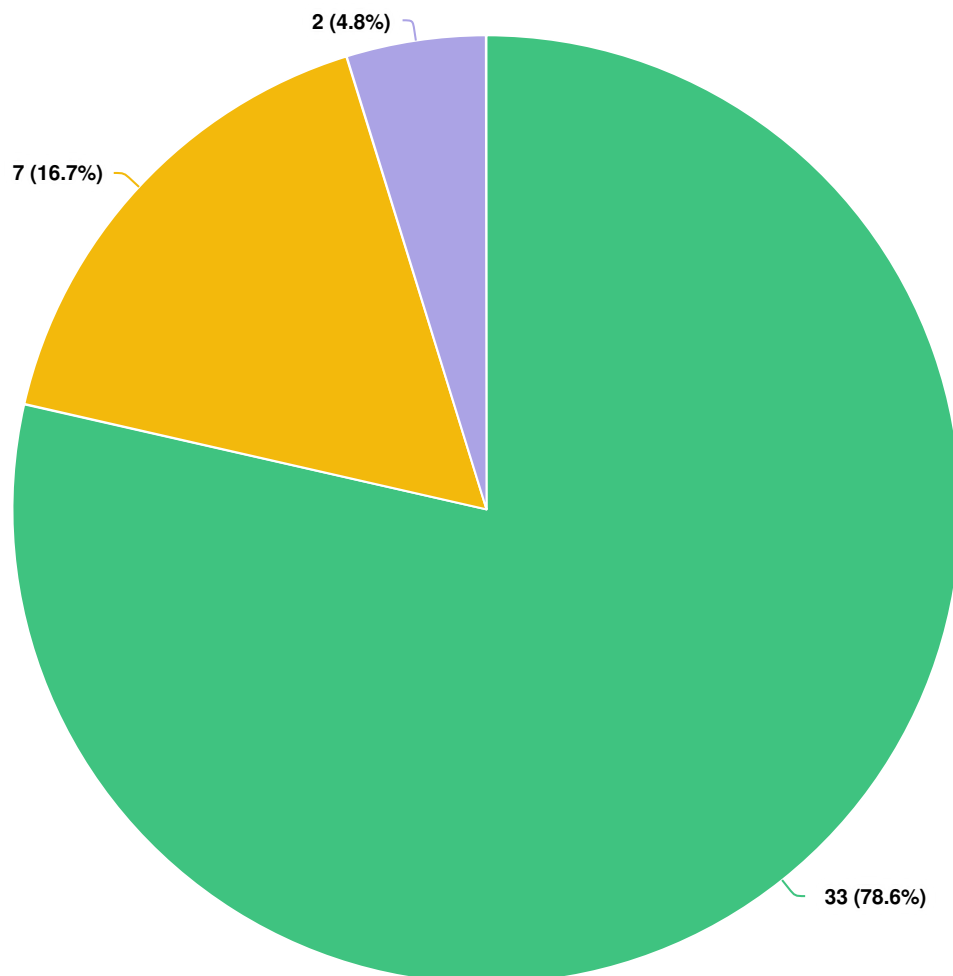
9/05/2025 05:41 PM

Approach seems sensible and cost effective.

Optional question (28 response(s), 14 skipped)

Question type: Essay Question

Q3 | Do you support the cancellation of the scheduled election in 2028, with the election being brought forward to 2027 and four-yearly thereafter



Question options

● Yes ● No ● Not applicable

Mandatory Question (42 response(s))
Question type: Radio Button Question

Q4 Please provide reasons for the above and/or further comment below

Anonymous

7/28/2025 03:28 PM

And saves us more work

Anonymous

7/28/2025 03:33 PM

No

Anonymous

8/01/2025 01:15 PM

Makes sense

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:39 PM

If the Cllrs are proactively supporting their electorate they will get voted in again, therefore I think this is an acceptable solution.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:42 PM

Save money

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:11 PM

Save money.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:24 PM

Better use of council tax

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:44 PM

Easier and less consusing

Anonymous

8/01/2025 06:16 PM

Change is not necessary.

Anonymous

8/01/2025 07:28 PM

Saved money⁸

Anonymous

8/01/2025 07:36 PM

It's a delay as previously stated causing apathy

Anonymous

8/01/2025 10:42 PM

It makes perfect sense to me to save the additional money that would otherwise be required for holding elections and instead spend it on something worthwhile in the local area.

Anonymous

8/02/2025 08:46 AM

Good to streamline elections

Anonymous

8/02/2025 09:50 AM

Get the alignment in place as soon as possible

Anonymous

8/02/2025 01:27 PM

Polling costs for these Parish councils will be less expensive

Anonymous

8/02/2025 04:46 PM

Makes sense to align election dates. Real issue is shortage of candidates whenever elections held.

Anonymous

8/02/2025 05:47 PM

This would make the delay of the former proposal seem justified.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 10:02 AM

Each parish is individual so having elections at the same time is irrelevant to each individual parish.

Anonymous

8/03/2025 12:40 PM

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Anonymous

8/03/2025 03:58 PM

Both cost effective and will, hopefully, improve voter turnout.

Anonymous

8/04/2025 09:48 AM

It makes sense to save money.

Anonymous

8/05/2025 02:03 PM

This would allow people the opportunity to speak out either in support or against anything the council say. Again you have already made up your minds, so a pointless survey.

Anonymous

8/07/2025 07:14 PM

This seems a fairer method and more democratic.

Anonymous

9/03/2025 11:24 AM

Economy

Anonymous 9/03/2025 05:04 PM	2027 IS TOO SOON TO SEE THE RESULTS OF LONG TERM PLANNING
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Anonymous 9/03/2025 08:42 PM	Why tinker with something that works
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Anonymous 9/05/2025 05:41 PM	Sensible and cost effective approach.
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Optional question (27 response(s), 15 skipped)
Question type: Essay Question

Q5 | What is your interest in this review? (i.e. a resident, councillor, parish council)

Anonymous 7/28/2025 03:28 PM	Electoral Administrator
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Anonymous 7/28/2025 03:33 PM	--
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Anonymous 7/30/2025 02:35 PM	Clerk - Brampton Parish Council, (Members resolved to support this CGR)
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 12:53 PM	Resident
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 01:15 PM	Resident
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 01:22 PM	Resident
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 03:01 PM	resident and parish councillor
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 03:39 PM	resident
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 03:42 PM	Resident
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Anonymous 8/01/2025 06:58 PM	Resident. Ex-parish councillor
Anonymous 8/01/2025 07:22 PM	Nothing
Anonymous 8/01/2025 07:28 PM	Resident
Anonymous 8/01/2025 07:36 PM	Resident
Anonymous 8/01/2025 10:42 PM	Cumberland resident
Anonymous 8/02/2025 08:46 AM	Resident
Anonymous 8/02/2025 09:50 AM	Cumberland resident
Anonymous 8/02/2025 10:36 AM	Parish councillor
Anonymous	Parish Councillor and resident

8/02/2025 12:12 PM

Anonymous

just interested.

8/02/2025 01:22 PM

Anonymous

Parish councillor

8/02/2025 01:27 PM

Anonymous

Resident

8/02/2025 04:46 PM

Anonymous

I am interested in all elections pertaining to Cumbria.

8/02/2025 05:47 PM

Anonymous

resident

8/03/2025 10:02 AM

Anonymous

Resident of Cumbria, but not of one of the affected parishes.

8/03/2025 12:40 PM

Anonymous

I am a resident in Wetherell Parish Council area.

8/03/2025 03:58 PM

Anonymous

I live in Hayton.

8/04/2025 09:48 AM

Anonymous

Resident

8/05/2025 02:03 PM

Anonymous

Resident

8/07/2025 05:52 PM

Anonymous

resident

8/07/2025 07:14 PM

Anonymous

Resident

8/08/2025 08:10 AM

Anonymous

Resident

8/27/2025 03:24 PM

Anonymous

9/03/2025 11:24 AM

Resident

Anonymous

9/03/2025 05:04 PM

RESIDENT / INTEREST IN LOCAL DEMOCRACY

Anonymous

9/03/2025 08:42 PM

Resident

Anonymous

9/03/2025 08:57 PM

resident of cumberland

Anonymous

9/03/2025 09:02 PM

Resident

Anonymous

9/05/2025 05:41 PM

Resident

Mandatory Question (42 response(s))

Question type: Essay Question

Q6 If you answered resident to the above question, please include your postcode (optional)

Anonymous

7/28/2025 03:33 PM

Anonymous

8/01/2025 12:53 PM

CA89AH

Anonymous

8/01/2025 01:15 PM

CA4 0EH

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:01 PM

CA4 8QW

Anonymous

8/01/2025 03:39 PM

I would prefer not to

Anonymous

8/01/2025 04:11 PM

CA4 8PA

Anonymous CA8 1TY

8/01/2025 04:22 PM

Anonymous CA8 1EX

8/01/2025 04:24 PM

Anonymous CA8 9HH

8/01/2025 04:44 PM

Anonymous Ca5 7ad

8/01/2025 06:16 PM

Anonymous CA4 8AF

8/01/2025 07:28 PM

Anonymous Ca8 1ag

8/01/2025 07:36 PM

Anonymous CA28 9UG

8/01/2025 10:42 PM

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Anonymous CA13 9EF

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Anonymous ca4 8ll

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Anonymous

9/03/2025 05:04 PM

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Anonymous

9/03/2025 09:02 PM

CA8

Optional question (25 response(s), 17 skipped)

Question type: Single Line Question