

**28 June 2007**



**The Derwentside Parish Order  
2007**

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**Report of Lesley Davies, Acting Director of Corporate Services**

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**Purpose of Report**

1. To advise Council of progress in relation to the creation of the parish of Stanley in the Derwentside District

**Background**

2. Members will recall that in the past the District Council of Derwentside consulted the County Council on a petition they received for the creation of a parish and parish council in the unparished area of Stanley. (The parish would also have Town Council status.)

3. In November 2006 I reported to Council that, in consultation with Local Members and the Leader, I had conveyed the Council's support to the District Council for their proposed electoral arrangements for the parish. I also gave an assurance Members would be appraised of any future developments relating to the creation of the new parish.

**Communities and Local Government (CLG)**

4. Having decided in principle to accept the petition for the creation of the parish council, CLG in March of this year consulted the County Council on a draft Order and map, the Derwentside (Parish) Order 2007.

5. The Order would give effect to the decision to create the new parish of Stanley on 1 April 2008 and direct Derwentside District Council to establish a parish council for the new parish. It also provided for the parish to be represented by specified District Councillors until councillors for the new parish could be elected on the ordinary day of elections in May 2008. In view of the specified deadline for response and in consultation with local Members and the Leader I responded to indicate the Council's general agreement with the Order.

6. The Derwentside (Parish) Order 2007 was subsequently made on 11 April 2007.

**Conclusion**

7. Members are asked to note the report.