Polling Station Consultation

Atherton Ward



What is your polling station?	polling district	Did you find the polling station accessible?	Do you think the polling station is suitable for voting purposes?	If you selected no, please let us know why it isn't suitable	Please tell us if you know of a more suitable building that could be used instead of your current building/polling station
Laburnum Rovers	BWA	Yes	Yes		My current place to vote is fine however I find it shocking that schools continue to close to make way for polling stations. St Philips in Atherton is a prime example - an empty town hall stood for years that could have been used. This is now a library and so could now be used as a polling station. Parents are fined for not sending children to school yet local authorities see fit to close for often 2 days within the same month for voting. Not to mention having to use holidays / take unpaid time from work.
St Phillips School Atherton	BWB	Yes	Yes		
Devonshire Road Community Centre	BWC	Yes	Yes		Building is fine but makes no sense that I live in Atherton, which is in Wigan, but I vote in Bolton

Atherton st	BWD	No	No	Every polling day i have to take annual leave to St georges church
George's				mind my daughter because atherton st georges Dorset rd community centre
				school is being used for a polling station. At the
				top of the same road Dorset rd community
				centre is also used for a polling station and is a
				much better building to access wheel chairs for
				example. St Georges church in the past have
				said that the polling station can take place
				there instead of closing a full school. Or maybe
				corner off a part in the playground and use a
				pop up booth. There's a couple of suggestions
				that the school in question doesn't need to be
				used and all those children have to find
				childcare for the day. You may even get more
				people to vote!