

# Evidence, Engagement and Consultation Summary

Ref no. P2 Registrars change of name deeds

## Description of proposal

Title for consultation: Change of name deeds

A deed poll is a legal document that proves a change of name. Anyone in the UK over 18 is entitled to change their name if they wish, however many official bodies, such as bank and building societies, will require a change of name deed to accept the change. It is proposed that the council's registrars service will offer a change of name deed service. Many other local authorities already offer this service.

This new service which would be delivered within existing resources / budgets. Fees would be set in line with those charged by other local authorities. If approved the service would start once current vacancies in the Registrar's team have been filled.

New income: £3,000

## Summary of evidence, engagement, and consultation

3 responses on this proposal were made via the online survey, 10% of all responses received.

Overall, 100% (3 people) fully supported the proposal.

In terms of alternative suggestions one person said;

*"Make the ceremony room more appealing for weddings."*

## Overall opinion from engagement and consultation

Respondents support this proposal.

## Justifiable action from the evidence, engagement and consultation suggested in the Equality Impact Assessment

A - No major change required.

## Mitigating actions required, if proposal approved

NA

## People potentially negatively affected if proposal approved

NA

## Response from Walsall Council on Proposal Ref P2

Following consideration of consultation feedback and equality impact assessment, Cabinet intend to implement the proposal.