

Keal, Simon

From: Morecambe Town Council <[REDACTED]>
Sent: 20 March 2013 12:36
To: Keal, Simon
Subject: Morecambe Town Council Response to boundary commission proposals

Dear Simon

Thank you for your earlier email and for accepting the letters.

Please see below an email is received from Councillor Roger Dennison outlining his further comments which I received yesterday when I was I was off.

He is both a City and Town Councillor.

Kind regards

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From: Dennison, Roger [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 March 2013 15:09
To: All Councillors; Chambers, Deborah; Snelson, Daphne
Cc: Darren Clifford; Morecambe Town Council
Subject: Morecambe Town Council Response to boundary commission proposals

Hello

I think it may be helpful ,given updated information, to clarify some of the my own, as expressed to the town council over the above.

The most recent government census for the area puts the population of Morecambe and Heysham several thousand above that of Lancaster It is on this census public policy, and service provision will be based.

The Boundary Commission proposes a Reduction in Councillor representation For the Morecambe and Heysham areas. Town Councillor D.Clifford has noted also an apparently unaccountable loss of voters in Heysham areas in these proposals.

The City, Town, and other parishes have submitted a variety of objections to the above draft [could be daft] proposals All of which are valid. However one of the reasons for the review was the student population registered to vote in the District. Currently both Universities, Lancaster and Cumbria submit lists of students who are automatically placed on the Voters register. In 2014/2015.This system will be fundamentally changed by the introduction of Individual Electoral Registration [IER]this requires individuals to register. Providing details such as

date of birth and national insurance number. Bulk registrations Will cease. This may materially affect local voting registers. It may be considered the Boundary Commissions intervention is both premature And ill advised, as the changes they are proposing are based on a system shortly to be replaced. It could be argued a review in 2016/2017 when The new system has had time to bed in and true figures would be available would be both sensible and more democratically sustainable.

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