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Re: Electoral Review of Lancaster: Draft Recommendations

Gressingham Parish Council Nr Lancaster – proposed Parish boundary change

Dear Sir,

I write on behalf of the Gressingham/Eskridge Parish Council and the residents of Gressingham with regard to the proposed parish boundary change which would bring the villages of Gressingham and Eskridge into the Kellet Ward thus removing us from the Upper Lune Valley.

I would respectfully advise you therefore that:-

Gressingham would quite definitely wish to remain within the Upper Lune Valley Ward, the village has for many years been bounded by the river Lune itself and is part of the character of the area.

Our current Ward Councillor lives in a nearby village and has more affiliation and local knowledge with Gressingham/Eskrigge and this may not be true of a member in the Kellet Ward however competent and well meaning.

The arbitrary nature of the change appears to be purely based on balancing the numbers in the various wards without regard to the historical and community connections.

The majority of young people in Gressingham and Eskrigge do not go to the Kellet schools but attend schools in Hornby and other villages in the Upper Lune Valley

There is a strong link between the Churches of Gressingham and Hornby which are part of the same benefice.

There is no connection with the Kellet Wards from an historical, cultural or community perspective. These villages are more aligned to Halton, Carnforth and the outer reaches of Lancaster.

Gressingham and Eskrigge are essentially rural communities with a strong agricultural farming heritage which is closely aligned with similar communities in Hornby, Wennington Melling and other areas of the Upper Lune Valley.

I trust that you will take these comments into account on behalf of the Gressingham Parish Council and Electorate when the Boundary Commission makes it's final decision.

Yours faithfully

Mrs E J Taylor

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