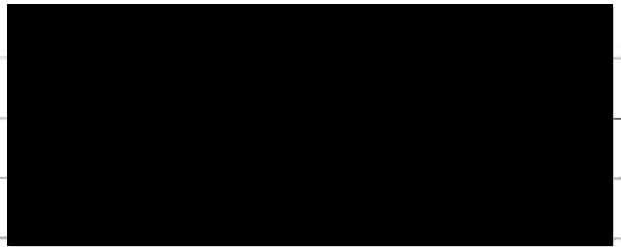


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Gordon Atkinson



5th Aug 2012

Dear Simon,

Thank you for your detailed letter of 24th July, probably resulting ~~for~~ from ~~an~~ a response to your earlier enquiry. Was this perhaps addressed to me as secretary of the Recorded Music Society?

The Electoral Review of Lancaster which you are presently undertaking would appear to be a complete waste of your time and our money. If we are to believe our politicians - and fewer and fewer of us do so each day - this country is in the throes of an economic disaster. Admittedly I

only witness this through depleted rates of interest on my savings and, on the occasional visits to Lancaster, an increased number of empty premises. Strangely enough there's also a noticeable increase in the number of coffee shops!! I sometimes wonder why, or how this occurs.

If, then, this economic downturn is so prevalent, why are we using valuable resources (ie wasting public money) on such an ephemeral thing as interfering with existing ward and parish boundaries?

Let the status quo remain, I say, and get on with some proper work.

Yours sincerely

