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There is currently a ward/parish boundary anomaly in the Lancaster City Council area which is the result of the building of a housing development on a field that was previously agricultural land. Maps have been provided which show the extent of the anomaly in terms of the boundaries and also confirming the area that has been developed. If the ward boundary issue can be addressed as part of this review, the parish boundary can be realigned by way of a Community Governance Review in the near future. At present, the housing development is divided between the Scotforth East Ward (18 properties) and the University and Scotforth Rural Ward (USR) (6 properties). The part of the development in USR borders the M6 motorway so the development of the site is limited and will not be extended unless closure or re-routing of this section of the M6 occurs in the future. It would be sensible as part of this review to adjust the ward boundary to follow the line of the M6 motorway so that all properties in this development sit within the Scotforth East Ward, and a Community Governance Review can then take place to alter the parish boundary so that none of the properties are within Scotforth Parish. At present, the situation is that a small number of the houses fall within a parished area and will be subject to a parish precept when the rest do not. For the whole development to exist as a community it needs to have identity with one area or the other and not both, and this will also be easier from an administrative point of view for the Councillors who represent those wards and for administering elections within those areas. At present the councillors representing USR and Scotforth Parish would have to cross through the Scotforth East Ward in order to access this small number of properties and residents.

Uploaded Documents:

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