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mark waudby

Subject:

RE. [All Councillors] COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW FOR YORK

From: mark waudby

Sent: 06 October 2014 20:51

To: Flecknor, Andrew

Subject: FW: [All Councillors] COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW FOR YORK

#### Dear Andrew

I am writing to submit a submission for the above review, I wish to make clear that in this submission the views and ideas I put forward for consideration are written in my role as a resident and an elector of the Parish of Rawcliffe and NOT as either my role of Chairman of Rawcliffe Parish Council or Chair of the Rawcliffe and Clifton Without Liberal Democrats. Clearly though my views are shaped by my experience of 31 years of public life in Rawcliffe (Including 8 years as a city councillor and 14 years as a parish councillor).

I wish to suggest that the southern boundary of the Parish of Rawcliffe be amended as currently it cuts across gardens and houses in the Clifton Moor area and causes confusion amongst residents as to which parish they are in, the same problem happens amongst residents who live on the Flyingdale Avenue estate (the former Clifton Hospital site). Having given it much thought I wish the following directions as a suggestion for a revised southern boundary

"Starting at a point in line with the southern edge of the former Clifton Hospital Chapel, the running along the southern edge of Clifton Park Avenue as far as the middle of the A19 Shipton Road, Then running north along the middle of Shipton Road as far as the northern edge of the private road which runs behind East Cottages, The boundary to then run along the northern boundary of the Play area next to the Clifton Library, the running along the western edge of Rawcliffe Lane until meeting the eastern edge of no 81 Rawcliffe Lane. The boundary would then run north along the eastern boundary of the houses of the eastern side of Eastholme Drive, Grasmere Grove, Borrowdale Drive and Kentmere Drive as far as the southern edge of Rawcliffe Lake. The boundary would then run along the southern and eastern edge of Rawcliffe Lake until it is opposite the southern edge of Lakeside School. It would then run east along the southern boundary of Lakeside School until it meets the western edge of Clifton Moor Gate, It would then run north along the western edge of Clifton Moor Gate until it would the current northern parish boundary on the A1237 Outer York Ring Road."

I feel that this proposal would help end any confusion about where which parish starts and finishes. Concerning the rest of the review I would like to suggest that in addition to the streets that would become part of Clifton Without Parish due to the redrawing of the southern boundary of Rawcliffe Parish, I would like to propose that the parts of the current Clifton city council ward which will become part of the new Rawcliffe and Clifton Without City Council ward be added to the the Parish of Clifton Without (namely Arbor Close, the southern part of Lilbourne Drive, Rawcliffe Grove, numbers 1-29 Rawcliffe Lane (odd numbers only), Shipton Road no 1-27 and 2-26), the western side of Clifton from the north of Clifton Green and 2-38 Water End). I feel that the current number of parish councillors for both the Parish of Rawcliffe and the Parish of Clifton Without, namely nine is the right number. As I have always felt that parish councils can provide a wide range of services to their communities I would strongly support any and all proposals to create new parish councils in the currently unparished part of the city. If you need any additional information or clarification I will be more than happy to provide it.

Yours Sincerely Mark Waudby

# Wigginton Parish Council

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Andrew Flecknor
Electoral Services Manager
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13th October 2014

Dear Andrew

## Community Governance Review for York 2014

Further to your letter of 26<sup>th</sup> September 2014 in respect of the Community Governance Review 2014.

I enclose a copy of a letter we have sent to Haxby Town Council following an approach received from them in respect of the possibility of holding discussions with them on the feasibility of merging.

The Parish Council has discussed this and they are unanimous in not wishing to merge. A copy of our letter to Haxby Town Council confirming this and outlining reasons is attached for your information.

We would like to reaffirm to you our unanimous wish not to merge.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

David W Geary Clerk to the Parish Council

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The Chair Haxby Town Council, The Memorial Hall, The Village, Haxby

8th October 2014

Dear Mary

Proposed merger of Haxby Town Council and Wigginton Parish Council

Following the emailed request from Mark to David in respect of a possible merger or at least our thoughts on it. The Parish Council considered this at length at its monthly meeting held on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2014 and I can share the members views as follows:-

1. The members were unanimous in that they are opposed to any merger.

2. Wigginton is an historical village and has an ethos of a village rather than a town as Haxby might be considered especially bearing in mind the likely growth of Haxby should the proposed housing developments go ahead.

3. Wigginton Parish Council is a significate land owner all of which is leased to detached village organisations. It also a property owner and likewise this is administered separately within the village.

4. The Parish Council administers the finances to the best advantage of the residents, in an enlarged organisation members feel that their best interests may not be appropriately served with members having diluted opportunities to fund relevant organisations or activities.

5. The likely growth of Haxby will be such that there may be a serious case to devolve the existing Ward Council to its previous separate form.

6. Where necessary Wigginton Parish Council will always continue to collaborate with Haxby Town Council as we currently do with the Joint Burial Committee.

 The administration of an enlarged organisation would be a burden that Wigginton residents should not be subjected to especially bearing in mind likely funding cuts.

I hope you do not find our response negative, we have the best interests of Wigginton residents in mind and do not want to see any demise of whatever nature in our village.

Yours sincerely

Peter Vaughan Chairman Wigginton parish Council

CC. A Flecknor City of York Electoral Services manager The Clerks Haxby Town Council and Wigginton Parish Council

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24th October 2014

Dear Andrew

#### Community Governance Review for York 2014

Further to my letter of 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014 in respect of the approach from Haxby Town Council regarding the holding of discussions to discuss a possible merger between Haxby Town Council and Wigginton Parish Council.

The Parish Council has now received a letter from Haxby Town Council confirming that they are not looking at this matter any further. A copy of the letter is attached for your records.

We now consider the matter closed and reaffirm to you our unanimous wish not to merge with Haxby Town Council.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

David W Geary Clerk to the Parish Council

From: Sent:

Malcolm Sunderland 14 October 2014 08 32

To:

Flecknor, Andrew

Subject:

re CGR for York

Hello Andrew

For sake of good order I e mail to say that Councillors discussed your letter and attachments at our meeting last night and were happy with the existing boundaries

They did not therefore recommend any change.

Regards Malcolm Clerk Heworth Without PC

From:

Haxby Town Council Clerk [clerk@haxbytowncouncil.gov.uk]

Sent:

17 October 2014 10:59

To: Cc: Flecknor, Andrew

Subject:

mike.harrison@haxbytowncouncil.gov uk Community Governance Review of York

#### Dear Andrew

The Community Governance Review of York was discussed by Haxby Town Council at their most recent meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September 2014. The result of this was to ask me to inform you of their Statement of Interest in moving the current boundary line on the south of Haxby from the present railway crossing on York Road to the A1237. This would result in a few houses in Crompton Terrace effectively moving from New Earswick to Haxby. I know this issue has been discussed in the past and New Earswick were against it but logic would seem to suggest that the A1237 would be a more appropriate boundary line these days.

I should point out that on this occasion we have advised New Earswick Parish Council of our intent to put this Statement of Interest to yourself.

Yours sincerely

Mark Scott

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# HAXBY TOWN COUNCIL

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16 October 2014

The Chairman
Wigginton Parish Council
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Dear Peter

#### Possible merger of Haxby Town Council and Wigginton Parish Council

Thank you for the consideration which was given to this suggestion at the recent meeting of Wigginton Parish Council.

In light of the current Community Governance Review for York it was felt appropriate by Haxby Town Council that the possibility of merging with Wigginton should be explored, especially when so many similar tasks are currently undertaken separately at present. It was felt that there would be significant financial benefits to be achieved by administering the two villages as one. This said, Haxby Town Council acknowledges the unanimous opposition by Wigginton Parish Council and recognises your strong commitment to the preservation of the individual character of your village and its high standards of maintenance in the face of the current financial climate.

Haxby Town Council is also delighted to note that Wigginton Parish Council will always look to cooperate and collaborate with it in the future and looks forward to this.

Having discussed your letter at our recent meeting I can advise that Haxby Town Council will not be looking to take this matter any further and would like to draw your attention to the minutes of our meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> October 2014 which confirms this.

Many thanks.

Yours sincerely

Mary Crawford Chairman

From:

Haxby Town Council Clerk [clerk@haxbytowncouncil gov.uk]

Sent:

14 January 2015 09.01 Flecknor, Andrew

Subject:

Haxby Wards

#### Dear Andrew

Just a quick note to confirm that Haxby Town Council voted in favour of de-warding the village. If you could make the necessary arrangements I would be most grateful.

Yours sincerely

Mark Scott

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From:

James Mackman

Sent:

23 October 2014 11:52 Flecknor, Andrew

To: Subject:

Re Community Governance Review for York

Hi Andrew

At the Parish Council meeting on 13 October the Councillors considered the above review.

After a short discussion it was resolved that the Parish Council would not seek any changes to the current arrangements.

Kind regards

James Mackman Clerk to Upper Poppleton Parish Council

---- Original Message -----

From: "Flecknor, Andrew" < Andrew.Flecknor@york.gov.uk>
To: "Parish Council Hessay and Nether and Upper Poppleton"

<jmackman@tesco.net>

Sent: Thursday, October 23, 2014 11:29 AM

Subject: RE: Community Governance Review for York

Hello James

I hope you are well.

For the initial phase an email is fine, just an outline of what the parish would like to have reviewed.

After January I will contact those parishes and community groups for more detailed information.

Hope this helps

Regards

Andrew

From:

James Mackmar

Sent:

23 October 2014 11.45 Flecknor, Andrew

To: Subject:

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----Original Message----

To:

Chair, Groves Association

Subject:

RE: Response to Community Governance consultation

From:] On Behalf Of Chair, Groves Association

Sent: 05 November 2014 12:36

To: Clir. N. Ayre

Cc: Flecknor, Andrew; Groves Residents Association; Cllr. J. Looker; Ashton, Joe

Subject: Re: Response to Community Governance consultation

Thanks Nigel and Andrew for so promptly acknowledging my message.

Apologies everyone that Google seems to have garbled my message last night. I have reproduced it below for ease of reading

Dear Andrew,

I wanted to follow up to your request for expressions of interest from community organisations in parishing. The Groves Association is interested in being considered however like all voluntary groups we have challenges: our capacity, our sustainability past the current committee term and our accountability/representativeness to the area we are involved in.

However, we would require to move forward with the proviso that something fundamental to how resident's services are provided shouldn't be rushed and we need further information before considering our position. We expect our area to follow something like the following timeline:

- 1. The period from January-Purdah be used to research and develop the different options for what 'parishing' could look like for us- from the smallest unit able to be tested to a larger town council structure.
- The Groves Association would then be happy to call a public meeting for late June where officers would be requested to report back and residents could ask questions.

Interested in hearing your thoughts/the viability of this. Martin

From:

Sally Look [sallylook1@gmail.com]

Sent: To: 10 November 2014 22:25 Flecknor, Andrew

Subject:

Re: Number of Parish Councillors

Andrew

Wheldrake Parish Council have asked me to follow this up as they would like to reduce the number of Councillors in our Parish.

Regards

Sally

On Fri, Sep 12, 2014 at 12:54 PM, Flecknor, Andrew < Andrew.Flecknor@york.gov.uk > wrote: Hello Sally

Jo passed me your recent email in which you mention reducing the number of councillors for Wheldrake.

It is possible and next week I will be writing to all parish councils to inform them of a Community Governance Review that will begin and run for a year.

This review will permit parishes to reduce or increase the number of parish councillors.

Once I write, the parish will just have to initially express an interest in a change to electoral arrangements.

Regards

Andrew

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To:

Ashton, Joe

Subject:

RE: Potential city centre parish

----Original Message-----

From:

Sent: 29 January 2015 16:02

To: Ashton, Joe

Subject: proposed parishes

Following last night's meeting, I would like to put in a plea for a city centre parish to collect many isolated groups of housing. Our particular block, South Esplanade, Friars Terrace, Peckitt St, Tower Street, Tower Place, has about 40 residents. Other groups are Kings Staith, King Street, Low Ousegate: Coppergate centre area above shops:

Stonegate Court, Duncombe Place: Petergate, Talbot Court: and several other places. Walmgate, Hope Street, Navigation Road etc have a large number of dwellings, and some are covered by a residents association, so might want to set up their own scheme, but I would think the whole area inside the walls on this side of the river would be a suitable area for consideration.

Regards,

(iii) The inclusion of the few properties on Tranby Avenue that fall within Murton parish into Osbaldwick parish purely as a tidying up exercise to avoid confusion amongst residents.

The earlier 2010 request to include the B&Q site and the housing estate to the rear (Redbarn Drive) within Osbaldwick parish is withdrawn after discussing the implications with Murton Parish Council and the potential loss of precept to Murton Parish Council.

The parish council are content with the integrity of the rest of the parish boundary and in particular wish to report the strong desire of Meadlands residents via the Meadlands Residents Association to remain within Osbaldwick parish.

The parish council look forward to your comments in due course.

Best Regards,

Louise Pink On behalf of Osbaldwick Parish Council

#### Statement of Interest Community Governance Review

Dear Andrew,

Further to your letter of the 25<sup>th</sup> September inviting the submission of a 'Statement of Interest' and having due regard to the earlier representations of Osbaldwick Parish Council in October and November 2010, the following alterations to the parish boundary are proposed along with brief explanations,

(i) Removal of land west of Metcalf Lane and north of Osbaldwick beck, i.e, the Derwenthorpe Estate from Osbaldwick parish.

As stated in earlier correspondence this change would be entirely consistent with the historical pattern established over the last century whereby the Osbaldwick parish boundary was moved east from Tang Hall Lane every time the city expanded with the new housing development.

The Derwenthorpe Estate is a privately managed housing estate, the highway system remains unadpoted and given the construction and layout may very well remain so.

The parish council has no role to play in providing services or improving infrastructure on this privately managed estate and the parish council has had no effective influence on any aspects of this site since the first proposals of development were publicised in 1999 with even less influence since the Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust indicated that Osbaldwick Parish Council were no longer welcome at consultation meetings some time ago.

Given that the parish council can't do anything tangible on this part of the parish nor influence any aspect of its development or management it is considered completely inappropriate that residents on Derwenthorpe are levied a parish precept on top of their council tax and Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust management charges. It might also be considered that City of York Council council tax levels on this site are reviewed to take into account those residents paying City of York Council for services provided within their Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust management charges (double taxation).

In short, if the Derwenthorpe site is removed from within the parish of Osbaldwick then the Derwenthorpe Residents Association could then be invited to form a parish council to cover the 540 home estate, with their own precept raising function, alternatively the Derwenthorpe Residents Association could remain as currently constituted and act on Derwenthorpe residents interests to attempt to influence the Joseph Rowntree Housing Trust in all matters appertaining to Derwenthorpe.

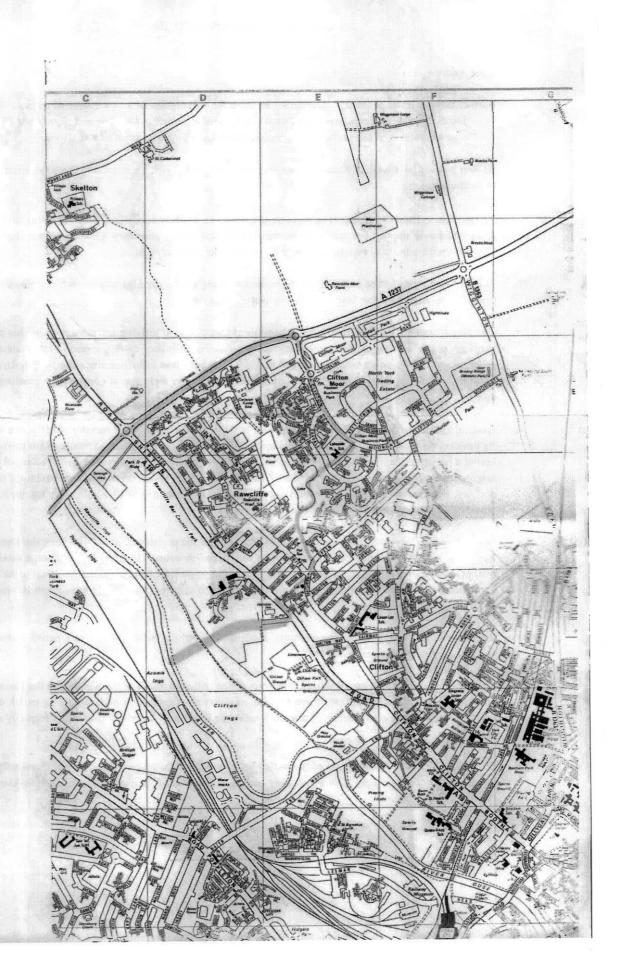
Whatever route is taken the unfair anamoly of residents paying a parish precept to a parish council that cannot act on their behalf must end.

The parish council await confirmation that your office will approach the Derwenthorpe Residents Association with the 2 potential scenarios, for the formation of either an automonous precept raising parish council for Derwenthorpe of the continuence of the Derwenthorpe Residents Association within a formally un-parished area.

(ii) The inclusion of former parts of the parish back into Osbaldwick parish to include Derwent School (now part of Osbaldwick school), Broughton Way and all side roads off, Sadberge Close, Carlton Avenue and Wolviston Avenue.

STATEMENT OF INTEREST RAWCLITTE PARISH COUNCIL

REVIEW FOR YORK CHIMINATION REIT



# **RAWCLIFFE PARISH COUNCIL**

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10th December 2014

#### Community Governance Review for York

### Rawcliffe Parish Council - Statement of Interest

Dear Andrew.

Rawcliffe Parish Council has resolved to take the opportunity given to it by the Community Governance Review of York to forward the following as a recommendation with regard to the tidying of boundary lines between the parish of Rawcliffe and that of Clifton without Parish:

- Starting at a point in line with the southern edge of the former Clifton Hospital Chapel
- Running along the southern edge of Clifton Park Avenue as far as the middle of the A19 Shipton Road
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- Running east along the southern boundary of Lakeside School until it meets the western edge of Clifton Moor Gate.
- Running north along the western edge of Clifton Moor Gate until it would the current northern parish boundary on the A1237 Outer York Ring Road.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information at this point.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Regards,

From:

Fiona Hill

Sent:

26 November 2014 10:13

To:

Flecknor, Andrew 'pauline bramley'

Cc: Subject:

City of York Council Governance Review

Dear Mr Flecknor

Heslington Parish Council understands that you are currently conducting a community governance review on behalf of City of York Council.

The Parish Council is concerned about the current proposals, outlined in the recent electoral review of York, to split the parish into "North" and "South" wards for the next parish council election in May 2015.

We strongly believe it would be in the best interests of convenient and effective local government for Heslington to remain un-warded, with 9 Parish Councillors representing the whole village.

We look forward to hearing from you how you will bring forward consultation in order to address the above concern as part of your community governance review.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Hill Parish Clerk Heslington Parish Council