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APPENDIX 2

Dear Ian,

Governance Review – Consultation Document Review.

We have now finished reviewing the second stage draft documents you sent to us. Despite being deeply involved in this Community Review we find the process to be very complicated and are concerned that our residents will be even more confused. We have therefore spent considerable time with our review and tried to ensure the residents are able to understand their options, so that they can make an informed decision.

The first key point we would like to make is that as we are embarking on a fundamental change of electoral boundaries, we must make sure the electorate are properly consulted. To that end, we believe the **individual electors** currently in MBL must be consulted. We have been advised that some households have mixed views on the boundary change proposals and they should be able to express that. The initial consultation was carried out at House Holder level and while that is satisfactory for that purpose, we do not believe it is right for the second consultation. We are content if the other residents in the rest of the Lavers and Matching Parish are consulted at House Holder level.

We also do not believe the proposed boundary already agreed, should be changed to match the Ecclesiastical boundary as it is much deeper into High Laver, does not follow physical land features and would increase the number of residents leaving High Laver.

Review Process

We have annotated a copy of your draft document with our proposed changes in RED and struck through those words to be deleted.

On studying the main second stage document, we found the sequence of elements regarding the other boundary changes to be confusing and believe these should be re-sequenced to give a more logical approach to the document.

We have therefore moved paragraphs F & G forward in front of A, giving a new sequence F G A B C D E H, which we have shown highlighted in green. For clarity of the revision, we did not re-letter/number the paragraphs at this time but clearly, they will have to be altered on the final document, if you approve of the changes.

Yours sincerely,



Colin Thompson

Clerk to the Parish Council.