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Householders in Matching Parish

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Dear Householder

### **Community Governance Review – Matching Green**

You may be aware that a community governance review has been in progress in Moreton, Bobbingworth and The Lavers (MBL) Parish Council. This concerned the number of wards in that Parish Council area and a proposal to reduce this number from five to three, by combining the 3 parish wards of High, Little and Magdalen Laver into one.

The District Council consulted residents in those wards and the re-warding received very strong support. The District Council has now accepted this change as a firm proposal and will aim to bring it into effect for the MBL elections in 2012.

One issue which arose from the consultation was the boundary between MBL and your Parish Council, Matching. This centred on the village of Matching Green where **19 Households a number of residents in the MBL part of the village** asked for the review to be extended to deal with that boundary. It is to explore this further that I am now writing to Matching Parish residents.

The District Council is carrying out this consultation with Matching residents in two ways:

**(a) Residents of Matching Green who are in the MBL ~~area-Parish~~**

These residents will be directly affected by a change in the boundary. That change would see all of Matching Green in Matching Parish. They are being asked separately to say whether they support this plan. Other residents of MBL who live in The Lavers are also being asked for their views, although they will not be affected and therefore their responses will not carry the same weight.

**(b) Residents of Matching Parish**

You are being consulted about the proposed boundary change even though you are not directly affected. You are also being asked to consider the number of Councillors which Matching Parish should have in the future, bearing in mind the number of electors in part of Matching Green who would transfer across.

... You will find a form and a pre-paid return envelope for your use. Also enclosed is a consultation report which I encourage you to read. Please help the District Council to make a decision on this issue which reflects the wishes and best interests of the Community.

Yours sincerely

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