

## North Hertfordshire District Council

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Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the current debate on the North Herts Boundary Changes. We have considered the options at our Wymondley Parish Council meeting and now write to confirm the views that we would like to be taken into account in the review. Background Wymondley Parish is made up of five separate villages and hamlets. these include the largest village Little Wymondley then Great Wymondley and the hamlets of Todds Green, Titmore Green and Redcoats Green. In total the Parish population in 2011 was 1153 Current situation We are at present linked to Great Ashby which is a new build community formed within the last 20 years. it is urban in nature and therefore has different challenges and expectations than our mainly rural area. There is therefore little in common between the elements of the current voting boundary. The population of Great Ashby is 5701. Our Proposal We consider our proposal based on the following criteria • local community synergy • natural cohesion • social togetherness • links through worship • facing common challenges Based on these factors we consider that a more natural fit would be to Link Wymondley Parish with Graveley and St Ippolyts in terms of population, we would be Wymondley - 1153 Graveley - 487 St Ippolyts - 2047 Total - 3687 If further numbers are needed one could add on Willian which again shares the characteristics and adds a further 326 bringing the total to 4013 All the villages are old in some cases back to the Domesday Book and beyond. the Wymondleys share a Church of England Benefice with St Ippolyts and previously with Graveley. Many families have historic links and have moved between the communities adding to the natural social cohesion. Though split by major roads and rail links on the broadly north-south axis we all share cross country roads, footpath and bridleway links. Each community still retains a farming base which creates a shared character and also common challenges as we endeavour to protect our Green belt and villages characteristics against development on an unsustainable scale. We trust this brief overview helps in your deliberations and naturally we would be happy to contribute further as your thinking progresses Kind Regards Sandra Weir Clerk to Wymondley Parish Council Phone: [REDACTED] E-mail: clerk@wymondley-pc.gov.uk www.wymondleypc.org.uk

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