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Dear Sir/Madam,

As a resident of Lanchester for all of my life, I would like to wholeheartedly support the removal of the Healyfield parish from the Lanchester ward. I have a number of friends and family in Consett, including Moorside, The Grove and Delves Lane, and want to comment on the proposals for those areas also.

Most of Healyfield's residents are in Castleside. Castleside has nothing in common with Lanchester. It has always been one of the villages around Consett, whereas Lanchester faces Stanley Durham more so than Consett in terms of the nearest larger settlements people use for shops etc.

I see that there is a proposal to merge Healyfield with Moorside and The Grove in a single member seat. This is a much more sensible proposal as those villages have always been a distinct community next to Consett. I would say that the needs of those residents would be best served with a single councillor for that area, as those villages have little in common with Delves Lane. Having a single councillor there would provide for effective local governance more so than a three member seat for that reason.

Please do take these comments on board when finalising the boundaries for our area.

Attached Documents:

None attached