The Local Government Boundary Commission for England

Mr Bill Norman Assistant Director Governance Herefordshire Council Economy, communities and corporate directorate PO Box 211, Hereford, HR1 9FL

6 November 2014

Dear Mr Norman,

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 – Proposed changes to protected electoral arrangements in Herefordshire

I refer to your letter dated 5 November 2014 requesting consent to amalgamate the parish of Ross-on-Wye and Ross Rural to form a single parish.

Electoral arrangements for both parishes were provided for in the Herefordshire (Electoral Changes) Order 2014 and, as such, are a protected electoral arrangement under the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007. Having considered your Council's request, the Commission hereby grants its consent for the Council to amalgamate the parishes of Ross-on-Wye and Ross Rural and provide for revised parish warding arrangements. This allows the Council to make an Order amending parish boundaries, as provided for in section 86 of the Act.

I draw your attention to section 96 (7) of the Act concerning the bodies to be notified once the Council has made the Order.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact my colleague Tim Bowden at tim.bowden@lgbce.org.uk or on 020 7664 8514.

Yours sincerely,

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