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Public Notice of Decision West Suffolk working together

Community Governance Review 2015/16

Issue 17

Oak Lodge

NOTICE is hereby given that St Edmundsbury Borough Council ("the Council"), in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 ("the Act"), has undertaken a Community Governance Review of certain parishes in its area.

The Council has now decided to what extent it will give effect to the recommendations made in respect of issue 17 in the Community Governance Review 2015/16, which affected the parishes of:

- Culford
- Fornham St Martin cum St Genevieve
- Hengrave.

The decision is that:

- 1. The parishes listed above should not be abolished;
- 2. The area shown on the attached map in the vicinity of Oak Lodge, Mill Road, Hengrave (IP28 6LP) be transferred from Culford Parish to Hengrave Parish.
- 3. The names of the parishes listed above should not be altered;
- 4. The parishes should continue to have a parish council; and
- 5. No changes be made to the electoral arrangements that apply to the parish councils listed above.

Reasons for the decision

1. Local preference (the Council has noted that there is a clear consensus that the property and surrounding land should be transferred from Culford Parish. In terms of how this should be achieved, the Council has, on balance, decided

to reflect the views of the directly affected electors themselves);

2. it provides parish boundaries which reflect the interests and identity of local electors and offers them more effective and convenient local government (*the local electors stated they were most closely affiliated with nearby Hengrave Village*).

Next steps

The changes referred to above will be brought into effect from 1 April 2017. The Council will make an Order in the autumn of 2016 to give effect to its decision.

The Order, together with a map showing the effects of the Order, will be made available for inspection at the following addresses as soon as practicable after making the Order:

 West Suffolk House, Western Way, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3YU; and

• On the Council's website: <u>http://www.westsuffolk.gov.uk/community/cgr.cfm</u>.

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