

CGR 20

Parishes Affected

North Hinksey, Cumnor

Matter to be considered

Amending the boundary of North Hinksey parish to include properties in Cumnor Rise Road, Hurst Rise Road and Hutchcomb Farm Close currently in Cumnor parish

Impact on district and county council boundaries

Affects Cumnor and Botley and Sunningwell wards

Summary of parish council responses

North Hinksey parish council made this proposal. It argued that the change would enable those affected to have greater representation in the affairs of North Hinksey parish council. It has written subsequently to say that it fully supports the working group's proposal

Cumnor parish council objects to the proposal on three main grounds:

- the existing boundary down the centre of roads is clear cut and well understood
- there is no pressure from local residents for change
- it would result in an unnecessary and undesirable change to an historic boundary

Summary of other responses

None

Recommendation

To move properties in Cumnor Rise Road, Hurst Rise Road and Hutchcomb Farm Close from Cumnor parish into North Hinksey parish, as shown on the attached map

Justification

The working group can see the merit in properties on both sides of these roads being in the same parish. This would allow for effective and convenient representation of residents at parish level and mean that people are not in a different parish than their neighbours.

On balance it recommends this change, but it will pay particular attention to any views expressed by local residents at the consultation stage before making its final recommendations.