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Dear Sir/Madam

**ELECTORAL REVIEW OF LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – COMMENTS
ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND(LGBCE)
DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS**

The County Council has carefully considered your draft recommendations and the implications for Leicestershire.

The Constitution Committee, which is the decision making body with responsibility for electoral matters, met on 8 January 2016 and noted that a number of LGBCE's proposals were in the main in line with the County Council proposals or a modification thereof aimed primarily at improving electoral equality.

The Committee also noted the concerns expressed by a number of members about redrawn boundaries and that the LGBCE appear to have given less weight to the statutory criteria relating to "the interests and identities of local communities".

Having considered the matter and receiving advice from a cross-party working group established to look at this matter the Constitution Committee has agreed to accept the draft recommendations on the basis that elected members may wish to respond to you on an individual basis. It is believed that a number of members will be doing so.

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Yours faithfully

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