Local Government Boundary Commission For England Report No. 412
LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND

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1. In a letter dated 13 August 1979 Lincoln City Council and North Kesteven District Council requested us, in a joint submission, to review the boundary between the City of Lincoln and North Kesteven District with a view to transferring 20 properties wholly into the City of Lincoln and 11 properties wholly into North Kesteven District. Four properties still to be built were also to be included in North Kesteven. The case put forward was that it would overcome the unsatisfactory position under which the present boundary passed through several houses (on which rates were paid to two authorities) and that it was desirable at the same time to adjust the boundary in some minor respects so that it was more sensible and practical.

2. We considered the Councils' request, as required by Section 48(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, having regard to Department of the Environment Circular 33/78 and to our Report No 28.

3. We noted that the views of the residents affected had not been obtained and that there was no indication that North Hykeham Town Council had been consulted. It was also not clear whether Skellingthorpe Parish Council should be involved in the review. We therefore requested Lincoln City Council to carry out a survey of the 31 properties affected and also asked North Kesteven District Council to ascertain whether Skellingthorpe Parish Council should be involved. Only eight replies were received in response to the Survey and these were more or less equally divided in their views; those who expressed misgivings were primarily concerned with the effect of the proposed change on educational arrangements and on this they appeared to have been given satisfactory assurances. Skellingthorpe Parish Council and North Hykeham Town Council had no objections to make on the proposals, though Skellingthorpe Parish Council made a comment about loss of rateable value.

4. We reconsidered the district councils' request in the light of this further information. We noted that the changes were minor and that there was agreement among the interested local authorities. We concluded that the proposals met the criteria set out in paragraph 14 of Department of the Environment Circular 33/78.

5. As a result we decided that we should undertake a review, and that as the proposals made appeared to be beneficial and had not attracted any significant local opposition the circumstances were such as to enable us to shorten the normal procedure by publishing draft proposals, based on the Councils' joint submission, at the same time as we announced our intention to carry out a review.

6. On 5 August 1980 we issued a consultation letter announcing the start of the review and giving details of our draft proposals. The letter was addressed to Lincoln City and North Kesteven District Councils and copied to Lincolnshire County Council, Skellingthorpe Parish Council, North Hykeham Town Council, the residents of
the affected properties, clerks to other parish councils in North Kesteven, MPs of the constituencies concerned, HQ of the main political parties and the Editors of the Local Government press. The two district councils were asked to put copies of a notice announcing the start of the review and the publication of our draft proposals on display at places where public notices were customarily displayed. The Councils were also asked to put copies of our draft proposals on deposit at their main offices for a period of six weeks. Comments on the review and on the draft proposals were invited by 16 September 1980.

7. Our draft proposals were supported by Lincoln City Council. Lincolnshire County Council, North Kesteven District Council and Welbourn Parish had no observations. Skellingthorpe Parish Council recognised that a boundary review was long overdue and had no objection to the draft proposals. North Hykeham Town Council had no comment to make. Sleaford Town Council objected to the proposals on the grounds that they opposed any reduction in the area of North Kesteven district.

8. We considered that the objection put forward by Sleaford Town Council in response to our draft proposals did not invalidate the case for transferring 20 properties to the City of Lincoln and 11 properties (and subsequently 4 more) to North Kesteven District. North Kesteven District Council supported the boundary adjustment and although they would experience a net loss in the number of properties transferred to their district under the proposals they would gain financially.

9. We are satisfied that in the interests of effective and convenient local government the boundary between the City of Lincoln and North Kesteven District should be realigned as indicated in our draft proposals. We therefore confirm these as our final proposals.

10. Details of these final proposals are set out in Schedules 1 and 2 to this report. Schedule 1 specifies the proposed changes in local authority areas; the proposed boundary is illustrated on the attached map. Schedule 2 specifies the consequential adjustments to the existing electoral arrangements.

11. Copies of this report and of the map are being sent to the Lincoln City Council and North Kesteven District Council, and will be made available for public inspection at the Council's main offices. Copies of this report, which
include a sketch plan, are being sent to those who received the consultation letter.

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Signed: NICHOLAS MORRISON (CHAIRMAN)

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26 February 1981
PRINCIPAL AREA REVIEW

DESCRIPTION OF THE SECTIONS OF PROPOSED NEW ALIGNMENT OF THE DISTRICT BOUNDARY BETWEEN LINCOLN DISTRICT AND NORTH KESTEVEN DISTRICT

NOTE: Where the boundary is described as following a road, railway, river, canal or similar feature it should be deemed to follow the centre line of the feature unless otherwise stated.

Commencing at a point where the southwestern boundary of Lincoln City meets the rear boundary of No 22 Ripley Drive, thence northeastwards along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 24 and 26 Ripley Drive to the easternmost corner of the No 26 Ripley Drive, thence northeastwards in a straight line to the southernmost point of No 52 Baildon Crescent, thence northwesterds along the rear boundaries of Nos 52 to 44 Baildon Crescent to the northwestern boundary of No 44 Baildon Crescent, thence northeastwards along said boundary to the northern most point of said property, thence northeastwards in a straight line across Baildon Crescent to the southwestern corner of No 41 Baildon Crescent, thence northeastwards along the northwestern boundary of said property to the southwestern boundary of Lincoln City, thence generally northwestwards along said boundary to the rear boundary of No 38 Waverley Avenue, thence northwesterds along said boundary and the rear boundaries of Nos 40 to 46 Waverley Avenue to the northwestern boundary of No 46 Waverley Avenue, thence southwestwards along said boundary to the westernmost corner of said property, thence westwards in a straight line across Wetherby Crescent to the southeastern corner of No 58 Wetherby Crescent, thence southwestwards along the southern boundary of said property and the rear boundaries of Nos 92 to 80 Constance Avenue to the western boundary of No 80 Constance Avenue, thence northwestwards along said boundary to the northwestern corner of said property, thence northwestwards in a straight line across Constance Avenue to the southwestern corner of No 63 Constance Avenue, thence northwestwards along the western boundary of said property and the western boundary of No 13 Thirsk Drive to the northwestern corner of said property.
property; thence northward in a straight line across Thirsk Drive to the
western boundary of No 12 Thirsk Drive, thence northwestwards along said
boundary to the southern boundary of No 10 Redcar Close; thence northeast-
wards and northwesterly along the southern and eastern boundary of said
property and continuing northwesterly along the field boundary and the
eastern boundary of No 9 Redcar Close to the rear boundary of No 26
Wetherby Crescent, thence southwesterly along said boundary and the rear
boundaries of Nos 24 and 22 Wetherby Crescent to the eastern boundary of
No 20 Wetherby Crescent, thence northwesterly and southwesterly along
the eastern and northern boundary of said property to a point opposite the
eastern boundary of No 17 Wetherby Crescent, thence northwesterly to and
along said boundary to the rear boundary of said property, thence south-
westerly along said rear boundary and the rear boundaries of No 15 to
11 Wetherby Crescent to the northwestern corner of No 11 Wetherby
Crescent, thence westwards in a straight line across Richards Avenue to
the northernmost point of No 9 Wetherby Crescent, thence southwesterly
along the northern boundary of said property and the rear boundaries of
Nos 7 to 1 Wetherby Crescent to the northwestern corner of No 1 Wetherby
Crescent, thence southwesterly in a straight line across Constance Avenue
to the southwestern corner of No 22 Constance Avenue, thence southwesterly
and northwesterly along the southern and rear boundary of said property
and continuing northwesterly along the rear boundaries of Nos 20 to 2
Constance Avenue, the western end of Clarke Road, the western boundary of
No 32 Clarke Road to its westernmost point, thence due northwest to the
southern boundary of Hykeham to Lincoln Railway, thence northeastwards
along said boundary to the southwestern boundary of Lincoln City.
PROPOSALS FOR REVISED ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS

CONSEQUENT UPON THE PROPOSED REALIGNMENT OF BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE CITY OF LINCOLN AND THE DISTRICT OF NORTH KESTEVEN

It is proposed:-

1. that the Skellingthorpe and Hykeham South division and the Skellingthorpe ward and the Hykeham Forum division and the North Hykeham North ward of the district of North Kesteven, as defined in the County of Lincolnshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980, shall be altered by the separation of that part of the district of North Kesteven which is within the realigned boundary of the City of Lincoln, as described in Schedule 1 and that the number of councillors for the said electoral division and said wards shall be unchanged;

2. that the Lincoln Moorland division and the Moorland ward and the Bracebridge division and the Bracebridge ward of the City of Lincoln, as defined in the County of Lincolnshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980, shall be altered by the separation of that part of the City of Lincoln which is within the realigned boundary of the district of North Kesteven, as described in Schedule 1 and that the number of councillors for the said electoral divisions and said wards shall be unchanged.