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5<sup>th</sup> June 18

Dear Sir or Madam,

**Ref: Copeland Borough Council - Boundary Proposals – Final Recommendations**

At the Parish Council meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 18, this submission relating to the final recommendations of the Boundary Changes for Copeland Borough Council was approved.

We set out in our submission dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 18, that this Parish Council regards having a one to one relationship with a Borough Councillor as a key principle in the design of the new Borough Wards. We are unclear as to how these proposals meet this key requirement for the new ward of Blackcombe and Scafell, as there is no clarity as to how the two Ward Councillors will be deployed in this new ward. There are examples such as Drigg and Carelton who will be represented by two Ward Councillors and this remains an unacceptable position.

Secondly, the focus on population equity across the new wards has resulted in a new ward (Blackcombe and Scafell) which now covers a large footprint for Copeland. The desire to deliver on this guiding principle does not take into account of the demands to cover such a substantive geographical area. The very large area covered by this ward with difficult connections between the east, west and north portions mean that the areas do not have significant links for the councillors to support

Finally the name change to the new ward is welcome change, but we are perplexed as to the choice of **Blackcombe and Scafell**, noting this new ward hardly touches on Scafell and provides a confusing title to the ward. Other options were set out in our original submission dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 18.

We would appreciate acknowledgement of this submission and look forward to you taking action on the above points

Yours sincerely,

David Savage

Chair – Millom Without Parish Council