

LAUNTON PARISH COUNCIL

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DRAFT Response to the Community Governance Review

Launton Parish Council considered the suggestion to move the Launton Parish Boundaries in two areas – area L and area J indicated on the map.

In answer to the questions supplied:

Question 1.

Do you think the parish boundary between Bicester and Ambrosden should be moved, so that the site of the planning application 16/01268/OUT at Wretchwick Way, area L on the map, is all in one parish?

No

Launton would like to maintain the boundary on the northern side as it currently stands.

Question 3.

Do you think the parish boundary between Bicester and Launton should be moved, so that the site of outline planning permission 19/02708/OUT at Bicester Heritage, area J on the map, is in Bicester?

The Parish Council does not believe that the boundary between Bicester and Launton should be moved. Historically the airfield has been within the Civil Parish of Launton since it was created in the 1920s and there are no coherent reasons to change this.

Concern was raised that Skimmingdish Lane (the A4421) acts as a boundary between Bicester and Launton and that moving the boundary would promote the encroachment and coalescence of Bicester into the surrounding villages. However, as published and agreed in the latest iteration of the Local Plan, the villages should be protected .

Question 4.

If you think that it is a good idea to move the parish boundary, where do you think the boundary should be moved to?

The boundary should not be moved

Question 7.

Do you have any further comments to make?

No