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Dear Sirs

COMMUNITY GOVERNANCE REVIEW MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL RESPONSE Submission 2

Following last week's council meeting it was resolved to submit a further response to the Community Governance Review.

Moulton Parish Council are disappointed to note that a recent online survey undertaken by Northampton Town Council contained misleading information relating to historical council tax payments to NTC and MPC. The information omitted to mention the special expenses payment paid by residents of Moulton Leys in addition to the element of council tax paid to NTC and failed to mention the harmonization process that would take place should two communities be joined.

The online survey has caused huge unrest amongst residents of Moulton Leys and the mis information continues to be perpetuated on social media forums creating a negative bias towards the proposals.

Although the online survey has now been closed and no longer appears on the NTC website no clarification or amendment of the information presented has been offered by NTC.

Moulton Parish Council believe that the online survey has compromised the Community Governance Review at this early stage. A large swathe of residents have not responded to this survey as they were unaware it was taking place. MPC would ask that any petitions or responses based on this information be disregarded.

Moulton Parish Council submitted a balanced, evidenced and well thought out response to the Community Governance Review using the Boundary Commission Guidance as a framework.

Based on the Boundary Commission Guidance, MPC believe that including Moulton Leys and a small section of Overstone Leys as detailed in our previous submission, fits the criteria required. Moulton Parish Council will carry out its own consultation involving all residents when the CGR progresses to the next stage.

Yours faithfully

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On behalf of Moulton Parish Council