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Boundary Commission for England
35 Great Smith Street
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Dear Commissioners,

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RE: Review of Parliamentary Constituencies in the Eastern Region

Dear Commissioners,

I am the Deputy Chairman of the Central Suffolk and North Ipswich Conservative Association, which represents over 550 Conservative Party Members who live in the current Central Suffolk and North Ipswich constituency, and now write on behalf of the Executive Council of that Association and our membership.

Our 550 members and association fully support the most recent Boundary proposals (released 8th November) for the Eastern Region and specifically for the proposed Norfolk and Suffolk sub-region.

We are grateful to the boundary commission for adopting the proposals set out by Cllr Carol Poulter (BCE- 73423) which we are pleased the commission agreed was the most consistent with the statutory criteria.

In particular we strongly support -

- 1) The creation of a Norfolk-Suffolk constituency in the Waveney Valley area, which recognises the strong community ties and transport links along both the A143 and A140 between the towns and communities in this part of Suffolk and Norfolk.
- 2) The retention of a Central Suffolk and North Ipswich Constituency (albeit in the proposed slightly modified form) which recognises that the communities in Framlingham

and Wickham Market wards of East Suffolk Council share strong community ties, and that these communities in addition to the communities in the Debenham ward of Mid-Suffolk look towards Ipswich for employment, leisure, healthcare and shopping.

3) The retention of the town of Stowmarket in the Bury St Edmunds constituency recognising the strong links between Stowmarket and Bury St Edmunds which are joined by the A14 housing corridor.

We are grateful to the Boundary Commission for taking the time to carefully consider our representations and we are confident that the revised proposals for a Norfolk and Suffolk subregion are the most closely aligned with the community ties in this part of Suffolk and with the statutory criteria in general.

Yours faithfully

Maurice Cook