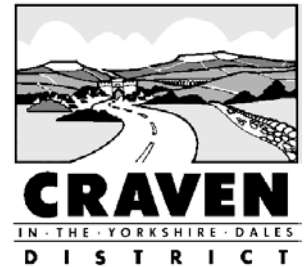


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Dear Parish Clerks and Parish Meetings,

You may be aware that the Government announced their decision on July 21st regarding local government reorganisation in North Yorkshire and York. Local councils in North Yorkshire will be reorganised to form one council across the whole of the county, covering a population of 618,000.

The announcement, made by a written statement in Parliament on 21st July 2021, leaves York as a separate, small unitary council with a population of 211,000.

As you know, the six district and borough councils of Craven, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough and Selby had joined together to propose an East & West model of local government. Unfortunately, this did not find favour with Government.

On behalf of the Leader, Cllr Richard Foster and myself I would like to thank you for the support over the last year. Naturally we are very disappointed with this decision; however, we will now work with all our partners including Parish and Town Councils to ensure the very best outcomes for our residents, businesses, communities and staff in the future.

There is a great deal of hard work ahead of all of us, to make sure that our excellent services continue for the people of Craven, while we prepare for the new council to take shape in April 2023.

Yours faithfully,

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