

Ashby No.

Electoral Services Department  
South Norfolk Council  
Cygnet Court  
Long Stratton  
NR15 2 XE



11<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Sirs,

**Community Governance Review**

Having been born in Ashby St Mary 81 years ago, subsequently living in the village all my life, I wish to place on record my opposition to the proposed merger of the Parish Councils of Ashby St Mary and Thurton.

Whilst both villages have worked in harmony on joint projects such as the Playing Field and Village Hall, each village has its own character. Thurton being twice the size population wise than Ashby St Mary would mean that should any merger go ahead, the unique character of Ashby St Mary would be lost forever.

I fear that the views of the parishioners of my village would be swamped by those of our neighbouring parish, which will only result in the growth of animosity between both villages.

Yours faithfully,





