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Submitted to **North Yorkshire Unitarisation**

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Introduction Questions (required to be answered)

1 What is your name?

Name:

John Passmore

2 Are you responding as a resident or on behalf of an organisation? Please indicate below including the nature of any organisation:

Local Government organisation - parish/town council

If you said other, please write here your organisation type:

Parish Council

3 What is your position in the organisation and what is the organisation's name? (if applicable)

What is your position in the organisation:

Clerk to Appleton Roebuck and Acaster Selby Parish Council.

4 What is your email address?

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Questions on the proposal for two unitary councils from Craven, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough and Selby District Councils

5 Is this proposal likely to improve local government and service delivery across each area? Specifically, is it likely to improve council services, will it give greater value for money, generate savings, provide stronger strategic and local leadership and create more sustainable structures?

No

Please explain your reasoning below:

There will be a duplication of Services, leading to fewer savings and an inconsistency of leadership.

6 Where it is proposed that services will be delivered on a different geographic footprint than currently, through some form of joint arrangements, is this likely to improve those services? Such services may for example be children's services, waste collection and disposal, adult health and social care, planning, and transport.

No

Please explain your reasoning below:

It will split existing expertise, to the detriment of those services which are currently well run.

7 Is this proposal also likely to impact local public services delivered by others, such as police, fire and rescue, and health services?

Yes

Please explain your reasoning below:

It will be less efficient this way.

8 Do you support this proposal from the councils?

No

Please explain below:

For all of the above reasons.

9 Do the unitary councils proposed by this proposal represent a credible geography?

No

Please explain your reasoning below:

10 Do you have any other comments with regards to the proposed reorganisation of local government in this area?

Please write any other comments you have on proposed local reorganisation below:

It will not achieve the maximum savings.

Questions on the proposal for one unitary council from North Yorkshire County Council

11 Is the proposal likely to improve local government and service delivery across each area? Specifically, is it likely to improve council services, will it give greater value for money, generate savings, provide stronger strategic and local leadership and create more sustainable structures?

Yes

Please explain your reasoning below:

The expertise of running a County wide service is already there. There will be less duplication, greater savings, a greater consistency in Leadership.

12 Where it is proposed that services will be delivered on a different geographic footprint than currently, through some form of joint arrangements, is this likely to improve those services? Such services may for example be children's services, waste collection and disposal, adult health and social care, planning, and transport.

Yes

Please explain your reasoning below:

It will allow the best practices to be shared and rolled out to the whole of the Authority. There will be consistency throughout the area, enabling the best service provision combined with the greatest savings.

13 Is the proposal also likely to impact local public services delivered by others, such as police, fire and rescue, and health services?

Yes

Please explain your reasoning below:

Impacted for the better.

14 Do you support the proposal from this council?

Yes

Please explain below:

For all of the above reasons.

15 Does the unitary council proposed by this proposal represent a credible geography?

Yes

Please explain your reasoning below:

There are some services currently provided across the whole of the area, and it will be more cost effective to keep it thus.

16 Do you have any other comments with regards to the proposed reorganisation of local government in this area?

Please write any other comments you have on proposed local reorganisation below:

This option will provide the maximum savings and quality of services.