

CGR 12

Parishes Affected

Goring Heath, Mapledurham

Matter to be considered

Amending the boundary of Goring Heath parish to include the hamlet of Nuney Green, currently in Mapledurham parish

Impact on district and county council boundaries

None

Summary of parish council responses

Goring Heath parish council proposed this change saying that, “this hamlet lies closer to the main geographic centre of Goring Heath, ie the former post office and alms houses, than it does to the centre of Mapledurham.”

Mapledurham parish council has responded by stating that “it would appear no arguments have been put forward designed to demonstrate that the proposed boundary change meets (the) criteria, any more than the status quo.” It goes on to state that the majority of residents of Nuney Green oppose the change.

Summary of other responses

None

Recommendation

To move the hamlet of Nuney Green from Mapledurham parish into Goring Heath parish, as shown on the attached map

Justification

Nuney Green is a very isolated hamlet comprising nine properties. It is accessed via an unnamed cul-de-sac off the Old Reading Road south of Goring Heath village. The unnamed road is already wholly within Goring Heath parish until it reaches the first property in Nuney Green.

Nuney Green lies about one mile from Goring Heath village, but over two miles from Mapledurham village. On balance the working group considers that the identities and interests of the residents of Nuney Green would be best served by the hamlet being placed in Goring Heath parish, although it will pay

particular attention to the views expressed by residents during the consultation period before making its final recommendation.