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PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO THE PARLIAMENTARY BOUNDARY COMMISSION'S PROPOSALS FOR CONSTITUENCY BOUNDARIES IN CUMBRIA

An inquiry is to be held on behalf of the Parliamentary Boundary Commission for England into their provisional recommendations for constituency boundaries in the County of Cumbria. The Commission published their proposals on 6 July 2000, recommending that adjustments be made to all six existing seats.

Objections made about these proposals have required the holding of a local inquiry under the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986. Official notice of the inquiry will be published in local newspapers on 16 November 2000.

The inquiry will be held in public and any interested person, whether a supporter of or objector to the Commission's proposals may attend and be heard. The Commission would urge all interested parties to attend and make their views known. It should not be assumed that the inquiry will only discuss those matters raised in representations submitted during the representation period allowed nor that the Commission's provisional recommendations will remain unchanged. On many occasions, following consideration of the evidence submitted at the inquiry and the Assistant Commissioner's report, the Commission have revised their recommendations. While the Commission will always invite written representations against any revised recommendations they might publish, all interested parties should be aware that they may not be able to state their case at a further inquiry, as a further inquiry will only rarely be held.

The inquiry will be held by the Assistant Commissioner, Mrs Suzan P Matthews QC. It will open on:-

**TUESDAY 16 JANUARY 2001 at 10.30am in the COUNCIL CHAMBER,
CIVIC CENTRE, CARLISLE.**

The provisional recommendations, copies of the representations made to the Commission (together with a summary), and a statement by the Commission which will be introduced formally at the inquiry are open for public inspection at:-

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