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Formal Notice to East Devon District Council

**Subject: Notification of Rockbeare Parish Council's Decision to
Publish Its Formal Objection to the EDDC/Cranbrook Boundary
Review**

Dear Ms Wellman,

I write to formally notify East Devon District Council that, at its meeting held on the 20th May 2026, Rockbeare Parish Council passed a lawful and unanimous resolution authorising the publication of its formal objection to the proposed boundary changes affecting Rockbeare Parish as part of the EDDC/Cranbrook boundary review (Minute 20/26-27) refers.

In reaching this decision, the Council noted the following:

1. The objection document concerns the parish as a whole and addresses substantive procedural and legal concerns regarding the process undertaken by EDDC.
2. The document is disclosable under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, subject only to limited statutory exemptions, none of which apply in this case.
3. Proactive publication is consistent with the principles of transparency, accountability, and good governance, and

reflects the clear expectations expressed by parishioners (21) present at the meeting.

4. Information contained within the objection—including references to statements made by EDDC Cllr Todd Olive—is already part of the public record, having been accurately recorded in approved and uncontested parish council minutes. The Council therefore determined that no redaction is legally required or justified.

Accordingly, the Council RESOLVED that its formal objection shall be published on the parish council website and made available to any person upon request.

This notice is issued as a matter of courtesy to ensure EDDC is aware of the Council's intention to publish and the legal basis upon which the decision has been made.

Should EDDC require clarification on any aspect of the Council's decision or the objection document itself, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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