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## **Commission seeks views on proposed boundary changes at Fithiebank**

The Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland publishes its provisional proposals for the realignment of the administrative area boundary between Dundee City Council and Angus Council at Fithiebank today. The public's views are sought on the proposals: written or email representations should be submitted to the Commission by 6 August 2009.

The existing boundary runs through residential properties in a recently built development in the Fithiebank area. The Commission is proposing that the boundary be realigned to follow the Fithie Burn at the northern edge of the estate. This will result in the whole Fithiebank development being in Dundee City Council area, and the transfer of 7 homes from Angus Council area.

As a consequence of the administrative boundary review, council wards within the affected area will also change. The affected wards are: Dundee City – North East (Ward 6); Angus – Monifieth and Sidlaw (Ward 4). The Commission proposes to alter the boundary between these wards to reflect the change to the administrative boundary.

Details of the proposals can be found on the Commission's website: [www.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk](http://www.lgbc-scotland.gov.uk) and can be viewed at Broughty Ferry Library; The Electoral Registration Office, Dundee; Monifieth Library; Monifieth Access Office; and Angus House.

The Commission's Secretary, Dr Hugh Buchanan said: "We are particularly keen to hear from those residents and electors affected by the proposed changes, but would welcome any interested parties' views, whether in favour of the proposals or not."

Following the public consultation, the Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland will consider the representations received, and decide whether a Local Inquiry is necessary. The Commission expects to make its final recommendations to Scottish Ministers later in 2009.

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### **Notes to Editors**

The Local Government Boundary Commission for Scotland is an advisory Non-Departmental Public Body sponsored and wholly funded by the Scottish

Government. It is an independent, non-political body created by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

The Commission's duties and powers are detailed in Section 12 to 28 of the 1973 Act, as amended. It is responsible for:

- carrying out reviews of the boundaries of local authority areas;
- carrying out reviews of electoral arrangements for local authorities; and
- responding to requests for ad hoc reviews of electoral arrangements or administrative areas.

The Commission comprises: Peter Mackay CB (Chairman), William Magee OBE (Deputy Chairman), Brian D Clark MBE, Kenneth McDonald and Paula Sharp.

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