

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING** 

**REPORT 87/18** 

**10 SEPTEMBER 2018** 

The purpose of this Report is to ask Members to consider a request for a letter of support for an approach to Royal to allow the address identification of St Lawrence to remain.

## No. DETAILS

## I) BACKGROUND

- a) Councillor Stephen Cockett who will introduce this item has received an email from St Lawrence residents Mr & Mrs S HG Twining having become aware that St Lawrence addresses are being 'changed' into Ventnor addresses at the land registry every time a property changes hands.
- b) The email came with an attached copy of a letter from the Royal Mail stating that the proposal to retain the St Lawrence designation is acceptable to the Royal Mail subject to the completion of the process set out in the letter.
- c) A copy of the letter is attached to this Report.

## 2) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is rcommended to provide the requested letter of support.

Date: 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018 Ref: 1-4426505410



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## **CHANGING LOCALITY INFORMATION IN POSTAL ADDRESSES**

Dear Sir/ Madam

Thank you for your letter of 28th July and for providing the boundary information for the locality of St. Lawrence.

From this, I have identified the postal addresses which would be affected and have completed my enquiries with my operational colleagues. I am pleased to advise you that the proposal is acceptable to Royal Mail.

Your proposal will affect around 253 postal addresses and we now require the instigator of the proposal to obtain letters of support from the following customer representatives:

- 1. The local Chamber of Commerce (where one exists)
- 2. The local Parish Council (where one exists)
- 3. The principal Local Authority for the area
- 4. The Member of Parliament for the area

Please note that the support must be for all addresses included in the proposal, rather than a single address or postcode in isolation.

Once the above documentation has been received at this office we will consult with all those affected to give them the opportunity of registering an objection to the proposal. Should less than 20% object, we will simply amend PAF and notify everyone of their new details. If, however, 20% or more object to the proposal, we will conduct a postal ballot in which we require a response rate of at least 50% of those contacted and a simple majority of those responding.

I hope this information proves useful, but please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any further help.

Yours sincerely

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