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To whom it may concern.

Acting on behalf of the Eton Wick Village Association, I have been asked to comment on option D of the proposed Ward Boundaries changes in so far as they affect our village.

In summary we are totally opposed to it for the following reasons

- 1 We are a self-contained community with absolutely no relationship with Datchet and Horton.
- 2 We are linked with Eton historically and have a fully functioning Town Council that encompasses both Communities.
- 3 We have just completed a Neighbourhood Plan for Eton and Eton Wick combined, and a huge amount of time, hard work and money will go to waste by attaching two new whole communities to it.
- 4 Our existing Ward Councillor has worked tirelessly for the Village to raise its profile (something long overdue and neglected in the past), and we believe that diluting her or any elected member for this village would be a seriously retrograde step.
- 5 Horton and Datchet are in a different educational system, which was clearly decided on by postal addresses - Horton and Datchet are classified as Slough whereas Eton and Eton Wick are Windsor. If the postal and educational authorities recognise that the two communities are different surely the ward boundaries should also?

We understand the need perhaps to reduce the number of Wards but given where we are in the Borough, Eton and Eton Wick occupy a geographic island – one road in and out – and as such we believe a lot of damage to the communities' identity will be done attempting the artificial marriage proposed.

We agree that the right solution would be to maintain the connection of Eton and Eton Wick on an east west axis and perhaps extend south into Windsor as existing (Eton and Castle Ward) and should the numbers of voters required need to be made up to accommodate two ward members take in Eton End which is due north.

We support the proposed name 'Eton Ward' for this new arrangement.

Ron Lewandowski
Chairman Eton Wick Village Association.

