Local Residents N - P submissions to the Birmingham City Council electoral review

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**Birmingham District**

**Personal Details:**

Name: Kaif Najeeb  
E-mail:  
Postcode:  
Organisation Name:  

**Comment text:**

I have been raised in the Ward End area for most of my life, and I currently live on Treaford Lane. I was shocked to hear the boundary change in the ward end area. I was not happy to hear that the roads situated around me are going to be a part of the Tile cross and Glebe Farm ward, as i do not even know where these areas currently are. Hearing that my local area will no longer be a part of Ward end astonishes me, as everything around me currently will change. I would not even know the area that my ward is going to be in. I have a young child to think about and his future, and the fact that the boundary changes will make this even more difficult as it will be harder for my son to go to local schools. I do not even know what schools are situated in Tile cross and Glebe Farm. I am sincerely shocked and disappointed at this boundary change as I do feel it will heavily impact on all the locals who have children and have no means of transport, it will be very difficult for us to travel to the other side of the area if we had too. Treaford Lane has always been a really nice road compared to other roads, Tile cross and Glebe farm are areas that i certainly would not wish to be a part of. I would also think that insurance prices may increase rapidly, which again will heavily impact on the local community. Again, i would like to highlight the fact that this boundary change will upset the locals when they find out about the change- as many still do not know.

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From: Ahmed Nasari
Sent: 07 June 2016 20:55
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: Consultation on further recommendation for Birmingham City council

Dear Sis

Please find attached the letter concerning the drawing of Birmingham's boundaries.

Thanks

Ahmed NASARI
Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council

I would like to comment on the proposed Harborne and Quinton wards.

My neighbourhood is currently assigned to Quinton ward. It is my strong view that we would be most appropriately assigned to Harborne ward instead. My neighbourhood is much more closely associated with Harborne than Quinton for the following reasons:

1. My neighbourhood was part of Harborne village prior to Harborne being annexed into Birmingham in 1891. It remained an integral part of Harborne ward right up until 2004, when it was moved into Quinton ward.

2. Residents and local organisations have retained their association with Harborne; for example, they still use Harborne in their postal addresses.

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In summary, the proposal I am making will result in better, more appropriate representation for my neighbourhood and I urge you to give it serious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,
Ahmed Nasari
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Mohammad Nawaz
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name: Zia-Ul-Quran Mosque

Comment text:

Speaking on behalf of many people who attend the mosque situated on Bowyer Road, I can honestly say it is for the best that the Alum rock ward remains undivided. This is the main local mosque in the area and our worshippers come from all across the Washwood Heath ward, especially in Alum rock. We would like to continue supporting local people from all over the ward and it will be easier if the boundary commission keep Alum rock together and don't divide the community.

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Dear Sirs

I have just seen the review proposal of the Washwood Heath Ward, which was previously proposed to split into THREE separate wards of Alum Rock, Saltley and Ward End with fragments taken from other adjacent wards to make up the necessary minimum numbers,

The Original proposal was acceptable to certain point that with SINGLE Councillor responsible for the ward, democracy may have a chance of taking a foothold in the inner city, The local population is made up of Kashmiri community from the DADYAL area. which is dominated by the JATT (Choudary) sect, who think all other sect’s are beneath them and do not deal with them. This new proposal of merging the Saltley and Alum Rock wards plays into the hands of a few individual who have used there influence to change the boundary.

The local community is very naive and in some cases un-educated to the level that no English is spoken and they cannot READ/WRITE in any language what so ever. I believe foul play has been used to influence the decision, The Local Traders are not in favour of the TWO Councillors Wards and the Community does not even Know that a review is taking Place.

The General Election last year and the Local Council Election, which has outright One Party Rule in the area did not mention the boundary Review in any Leaflet etc.

I propose that the Single Councillor Wards for the inner City are the best possible solution and that the parts Saltley i.e one side of Alum Rock Road to Hams Road And Bowyer Road, all Roads in between should be moved to Nechells ward, which will allow democracy to develop and also end segregation.

Many Thanks
Mohammed Nawaz
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Mary Neary
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]

Organisation Name:

Comment text:

I understand that there has been a proposal to change the boundaries of the Harborne Ward in the West Midlands so that it becomes Quinton. I have lived in Harborne for most of my adult life, my family live locally in Harborne. I have researched the history of Harborne, I have an affinity to Harborne and am a member of a vibrant Harborne community as are many of my friends and neighbours. Why should we have to become Quinton? Apart from being the aspiration of some beaureacratric paper shufflers – why change history? Quinton is already a bigger land area, why do you want it to subsume Harborne as well? On the map it will look as though the radius around Harborne has had a slice removed, it makes no sense. I feel angry that has even been proposed. What a waste of time and money.

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I live in Wood Lane, Harborne. I understand that there is a proposed boundary change. I would like to remain within the Harborne ward. I bought my house 2 years ago on the basis that it was in Harborne and I expect that the value will be adversely affected if the boundary is changed so that Wood Lane falls within the Quinton ward. Also Wood Lane has a close identity with Harborne because it is closer to the High Street and residents take an active part in community activities in Harborne. This is not the case with Quinton, indeed I am not even sure where the centre of Quinton is.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Karen Newbigging
From: Rachel Newland
Sent: 05 June 2016 00:27
To: reviews@lgbce.org.uk
Subject: Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council.

The Review Officer (Birmingham)
Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor Millbank Tower
Millbank
London
SW1P 4QP

4/6/2016

Dear Sir or Madam,

Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council.

I would like to comment on the proposed Harborne and Quinton wards.
My neighbourhood is currently assigned to Quinton ward. It is my strong view that we would be most appropriately assigned to Harborne ward instead. My neighbourhood is much more closely associated with Harborne than Quinton for the following reasons:

1. My neighbourhood was part of Harborne village prior to Harbourne being annexed into Birmingham in 1891. It remained an integral part of Harborne ward right up until 2004, when it was moved into Quinton ward.
2. Residents and local organisations have retained their association with Harborne, for example, they still use Harborne in their postal addresses.
3. The neighbourhood is adjacent to Harborne Golf Club and a short walk from Harborne High Street which is the closest location for shopping facilities and similar amenities.
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6. Tennal Road takes its name from the historic Tennal Hall which was a major landmark in Harborne. However one side of Tennal Road is in the proposed Harborne ward and the other side in the proposed Quinton ward. The Quinton side includes the cul de sacs Savoy Close, Copperbeech Close and Rosehead Drive; these are only accessible from Tennal Road and face towards Harborne. This arrangement is illogical and it would be much better if the whole neighbourhood were in Harborne.
7. I associate my house as being located in Harborne not Quinton; when people ask me where my house is I say it is in Harborne as locationwise it is closer to Harborne than it is to Quinton.

In summary, the proposal I am making will result in better, more appropriate representation for my neighbourhood and I urge you to give it serious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Your Sincerely

Miss Rachel Newland
From: Lanh Nguyen [mailto:]
Sent: 20 June 2016 22:40
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: Objections to boundary changes in Birmingham

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to write to express my objection to the proposed boundary changes to the Erdington ward of Birmingham.

I have tried doing this online, but the website is showing an error, which will no doubt be stopping others from objecting too.

I currently live in the Erdington area, which is B24 0BP. When we purchased our property less than 4 years ago, we brought it as it is a part of Erdington, not Pype Hayes

Please find attached a photo of the error on the website.

Yours sincerely
Review Officer (Birmingham)
The Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor Millbank Tower
Millbank, London
SW1P 4QP

Dear LGBCE,

Firstly can I say that the Vice Chairman Derek Walton has again submitted the formal response on behalf of the Forum. I therefore wanted to write additionally on the subject. The Forum works on behalf of residents on the Abbey Fields Estate, formerly called the Lyndhurst estate. We are the neighbourhood forum that covers this area and work widely with other local groups in the area and across Erdington we all support each other’s community events. Erdington is a close knit community.

First I would like to thank the Commission for including the Abbey Church area in the proposed Erdington Ward and for making it a two member ward. I am very grateful that this travesty has been averted. Particularly given the estate takes its name from the Abbey Church.

I however ask the commission to please ensure the area around Orphanage Road, Berwood Farm Road, Harman Road is retained in Erdington Ward as well. This is where the parish boundary runs up to and includes some of the shops and the Yenton which we use as local residents. It is clearly not part of Pype Hayes.

Best Wishes,

Rickie Nicholson
Chair Lyndhurst (now Abbey Fields) Neighbourhood Forum
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: malcolm nicholls
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name: tenant

Comment text:

would have preferred single seat wards ,would not have increased councillors ,but besides that nothing else much to say on it ,i know there are people who think post codes boundaries are changing ,but that is not the case ,be surprised how many think that ,but when told its only ward boundaries for electing councillors ,but then you get ,will i still be able to vote for the same councillor ,yes if he/she is in your new ward .

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Personal Details:

Name: Stephen Nickless
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name:

Comment text:
Very pleased to hear that Yardley is to retain its name.

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Dear Officers

Re: Redrawing of Birmingham’s boundaries - Harborne and Quinton

Capern Grove is currently assigned to Quinton Ward. I believe we should be assigned to Harborne instead as my neighbourhood is more closely associated with Harborne than Quinton for a variety of reasons:

1. My neighbourhood was part of Harborne village prior to Harborne being annexed into Birmingham in 1891. It remained an integral part of Harborne ward until 2004, when it was moved into Quinton ward.
2. Residents and local organisation’s have retained their association with Harborne; I refer to Harborne as my home village!
3. The neighbourhood is adjacent to Harborne Golf Club and a short walk from Harborne High Street which is the closest location for shopping facilities and similar amenities.
4. West Boulevard is a major four lane highway that physically separates the neighbourhood from Quinton. This major barrier prevents natural movement and stops the area associating with Quinton.
5. Residents on my road and roads leading off Welsh House Farm associate with the Harborne Rise area. The boundary review has previously taken account of the views of the residents of Wentworth Way, thus returning it to the Harborne Ward. I would request the same lodgic is applied in relation to Capern Grove and roads off Welsh House Farm Road.
6. Tennal Road takes its name from the historic Tennal Hall which was a major landmark in Harborne. One side of Tennal Road is in the proposed Harborne ward and the other in the proposed Quinton ward. Welsh House Farm Road and Capern Grove are most easily accessed from this part of Tennal Road. Therefore, in addition to the previous points, it is more lodgical for these roads to be included the Ward of Harborne as opposed to Quinton. The fact that Tennal Road is separated in itself is illogical, given that a number of cul de sacs on Tennal Road are only accessible from Tennal Road and face Harborne. It would make more sense if the whole of Tennal Road were included in the Harborne Ward.

In summary, I am requesting that my Road (Capern Grove) is returned to its correct and historic Ward, along with the other mentioned roads. Please furnish me with any rights of appeal, and or external regulating bodies to whom I may refer if my request is denied. I genuinely believe that my request is reasonable and that any refusal to grant it would be unjustified. I look forward to hearing from you shortly.
Yours sincerely
Niamh Ni-Ghormain

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.
-----Original Message-----
From: Masood Obadi [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 June 2016 18:30
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: B5 Edgbaston

I use public transport in B5
I belong to community groups in B6
I shop in Edgbaston and city Center
My GP is in Edgbaston
The interesting things in Edgbaston are the cricket grounds and canon hell park We don't belong to Balsall Heath

Sent from my iPhone
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: I O'Donnell
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]
Organisation Name:

Comment text:

The decision to cut the Harborne community down Balden Road is stupid. The locally recognised boundary between Quinton and Harborne is along Wolverhampton Road South and down Court Oak Road. The title deeds from the 1930s for my home list it as Harborne! We have local community groups who have been working together for years on this basis (evidence attached). Within the area you’ve listed as Quinton there are street signage, litter bins etc all listed as Harborne! I walk on a weekly basis to Harborne high street from my house, I’ve never even been to Quinton and I don’t want to vote for a representative in that area when I have no connection to that area!

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BEECH LANES
NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM

Discuss issues affecting all residents in the area
at your

PUBLIC MEETING
At 7.45 pm
On Thursday 3rd December 2015
At St Faith and St Laurence Church Hall
Croftdown Road, Harborne, B17 8RD

PLEASE NOTE that for this Meeting we are returning to our previous venue at:
St Faith and St Laurence Church Hall.

AGENDA:

The Harborne Parish Lands Charity;
An outline of its long history and its activities in the present day.

Local Councillors usually attend our meetings so this is your chance to meet them.

COME AND HAVE YOUR SAY
Dear Commissioners

The current draft proposals for the North Birmingham wards of Oscott, Kingstanding, Perry Common, Erdington, Stockland Green, Pype Hayes, Tyburn and Castle Vale have divided some communities and joined others together in an arbitrary way.

I’m writing in support of the North Birmingham Together proposals for new ward boundaries, as follows:

A Pype Hayes Ward including Birches Green,

a Castle Vale Ward,

a two-member Erdington Ward bordered by Court Lane to the east, Sutton Coldfield to the North, Pype Hayes to the south and the Kingsbury Road/Wood End Road,

a Perry Common Ward including Court Farm,

a two-member Stockland Green ward including everything to the west of the railway line in the current Stockland Green ward plus Wyrley Birch (historically part of Stockland Green),

a two member Kingstanding Ward bordered by College Road to the east and Kingstanding Road to the west from Sutton Coldfield to the Kingstanding Royal Mail depot, whose surrounding area should be retained in Kingstanding Ward,

a Gravelly Hill/Tyburn ward,

and a two-member Oscott ward including Bandywood.

I’m not able to attach the proposed map but you can view it at https://northbirminghamtogether.wordpress.com

Thanks for your consideration

Margaret Okole
From: Danny O'Sullivan
Sent: 08 June 2016 09:43
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Cc:
Subject: Proposed Boundary changes to Harborne and Quinton wards by Birmingham City Council

The Review Officer (Birmingham)
Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor Millbank Tower
Millbank
London
SW1P 4QP

June 8, 2016

Sir or Madam,

Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council

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In summary, the proposal I am making will result in better, more appropriate representation for my neighbourhood and I urge you to give it serious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Danny O'Sullivan

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Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Alan Outram
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]
Organisation Name: [REDACTED]

Comment text:

We have been residents of Wylde Green for almost 45 years. We bought our house because we wanted to live in, and be part of the Sutton Coldfield community. We still want to remain part of this community and not be moved politically or otherwise into any area that we do not wish to reside. We are particularly concerned about the effect that this will have on future house prices, both for ourselves and our family.

Uploaded Documents:

None Uploaded
Dear Sir or Madam

RE Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council

I am writing to you in regard to the proposed boundary changes for the Harborne & Quinton Wards.

My neighbourhood was part of the Harborne Ward up until 2004 and is currently assigned to Quinton. It is my strongly held view that we should be assigned back to the Harborne Ward as my neighbourhood is much more closely associated with Harborne than Quinton for the following reasons:

- The neighbourhood is adjacent to Harborne Golf Club and is a short walk from Harborne High Street, the closest location for shopping facilities and restaurants.

- Residents and local organisations have retained their association with Harborne and continue to use ‘Harborne’ in their postal addresses.

- One side of Tennal Road is in the proposed Harborne Ward and the other is to be assigned to Quinton. The proposed Quinton side includes the cul de sacs of Savoy Close, Copperbeech Close & Rosehead Drive, all of which are only accessible from Tennal Road, facing towards Harborne. This proposal seems illogical and it would make much more sense if the whole neighbourhood were in Harborne.

- West Boulevard is a major four-lane highway that physically separates the neighbourhood from Quinton. This major barrier prevents natural movement and stops the area being associated with Quinton.

- Minton Road, Doulton Close and Chelsea Close are all accessed from Welsh House Farm Road and connected via a path to Wentworth Way. Residents on these roads all associate with the ‘Harborne Rise’
area and I note that the Boundary Review Office has listened to the residents of Wentworth Way, returning it to the Harborne Ward.

I hope you will give my comments serious consideration and ensure that my neighbourhood is returned to the Harborne Ward.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully
Teresa Palubicki
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Timothy Parkes
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]
Organisation Name: [REDACTED]

Feature Annotations

Map Features:

Annotation 1: [REDACTED]

Comment text:

We have been proud residence of Moseley for over 10 years, this being our third property within Moseley and our first home as home owners. We bought this property as it is a piece of Edwardian Moseley history, situated 100 yards from Moseley bog and within waking distance of Moseley village centre. We visit Moseley village every week without fail, attending the farmers market and many other Moseley events. We are proud residents of Moseley with no connection with Sparkhill what so ever. The famous Wake Green Road is a part of Moseley history. The thought of a boundary move to Sparkhill upsets us greatly. When we vote we want to represent our community, Moseley. Please, do not take away a very important part of our identity.

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Personal Details:

Name: Rakesh Parmar
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name: [redacted]

Comment text:

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Dear Sirs/Madame,

I have lived on Green Rd in Moseley for 31 years with my family and my son was also born in Sorrento hospital in Moseley. We purchased our house as I have always wanted my family to live in Moseley and especially Green Rd as it is the most beautiful rd in the area. My children have grown up and now my grand children attend St Bernard Catholic School as do many of the children on this road.

We do not want this road to be split as it will not be the same as it will not be the same and it will divide a community. The proposed changes that are being proposed will affect all the residents on Green rd.

We do wish to stay in Moseley Ward and not Sparkhill Ward and I do hope that this divide will not occur and keep th history of Green Rd within Moseley.

A very concerned resident of Green Rd.

Kind regards

Mr Parmar
Dear Sir,

I am writing to you express my dismay and concern over the proposal to move parts of Green Rd, plus Beel Drive and Burte Ave from the Moseley Ward to the Salthill Ward.

I have lived in this area in Moseley since the 1960s and feel I am a part of this community. My children grew up here, playing with the children in Beel Drive, and I have brought my family up enjoying this area and the lovely surroundings we are in.

It seems, therefore, strange and not in keeping with my life to date, to move my road in to the Salthill ward. I do not have access to Salthill and have used all the Moseley conveniences as they are closer.
I will be very upset to see the roads divided into different wards - it makes no sense to our family and community as our roots are here and in the old location (and current) of the Moseley Ward as it stands.

Please do not divide us!

Yours sincerely
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Ann Parton
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]
Organisation Name:

Comment text:

I would like to support the inclusion of Wentworth Way, St Andrews Close and Vale Close into the Harborne Ward. The Bourne Brook being the natural boundary for many years. Also amenities including Schools, the Library, Harborne churches and Harborne High St shops are all part of our main community. Ann Parton

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Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Jait Patel
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name: 

Comment text:

Stop wasting money and leave the wards as they are. There is no need to change. There is no need to waste any more money. This company has already made enough money from us.

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Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Stephen Pattison
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]
Organisation Name: [redacted]

Comment text:
Happy with new configuration of Mosely Ward.

Uploaded Documents:
None Uploaded
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Vivienne Payne
E-mail: [REDACTED]
Postcode: [REDACTED]
Organisation Name: [REDACTED]

Feature Annotations

Annotation 3: This area is the area I specifically describe in my comments and makes a historical, geographical and cultural community with the other side of Green Road and Gracewell Road.

Annotation 6: I have drawn this area poorly as the tool is hard to use, but it shows the area of the playing fields and Sarehole Mill that I mention and personally, I feel that it is also part of Moseley although it has always been on the border.

Comment text:

I have recently looked at the renewed proposed changes and while I can see that there have been some sensible changes, our community around Sarehole/Wake Green area of Moseley have been left in the preposterous situation of a line being drawn through the middle of our community along Green Road, meaning that neighbours that share similar outlooks, interests and geographical location have been put into different wards (see area 3). It makes no sense to divide this community who, despite comprised of people with a range of different cultural heritages, identify with Moseley and each other. It makes no sense to divide this community. It is a small number of people and will make no difference to the overall aims of the reorganisation in terms of numbers. Keeping the communities together does make a huge difference in terms of appropriate representation and the effective use of limited resources both in terms of time and money. I made this point about social and political representation and the appropriate use of funds in my earlier submission. This part of Green Road that includes two cul-de-sacs, Burke Avenue and Keefe Drive, is a small country style road with a community centred around a communal green space. It is historically connected to the Gracewell and Foster Trust as, Mr. Foster, the solicitor who bequeathed the land, used to live in the house I currently occupy and its grade extended into what is now Keel Drive. Another house and garden, similar to that on the corner of Green Road and Gracewell Rd used to occupy the area that is now Burke Avenue. This area is also associated with Sarehole Mill (6) which has been placed into Hall Green Ward. A line has been drawn along the Wake Green Road also - the Wake Green Road on both sides has a clear identity with Moseley. Green Road B13, and the residents of Keel Drive and Burke Avenue, should be kept with their neighbours.
on the other side of Green Road and be a part of Moseley Ward. There is no reason why the boundary cannot be drawn along the boundaries of gardens rather than roads as I can see from the map that this precedent has already been set elsewhere. I have shown this area as 3 with its annotation

Uploaded Documents:

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Hi Mark,

Birmingham submission below.

Thanks,

Laura

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From: Gig Payne [mailto:gigpayne1@me.com]
Sent: 25 May 2016 13:14
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: Consultation: Electoral review of Birmingham

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have recently looked at the renewed proposed changes and while I can see that there have been some sensible changes, our community around Sarehole Mill have been left in the preposterous situation of a line being drawn through the middle of our community along Green Road, meaning that neighbours that share similar outlooks, interests and geographical location have been put into different wards. It makes no sense to divide this community who, despite comprised of people with a range of different cultural heritages, identify with Moseley and each other. It makes no sense to divide this community. It is a small number of people and will make no difference to the overall aims of the reorganisation in terms of numbers. Keeping the communities together does make a huge difference in terms of appropriate representation and the effective use of limited resources both in terms of time and money.

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Green Road B13, and the residents of Keele Drive and Burke Avenue should be kept with their neighbours on the other side of Green Road and be a part of Moseley Ward. I have not been able to redraw the lines as suggested on your website to show this, but there is no reason why the boundary cannot be drawn along the boundaries of gardens rather than roads as I can see from the map that this precedent has already been set.
Please respond to this email so that I know that it has been sent to the appropriate place for my views to be heard. Thank-you.

Yours faithfully

V. Payne
I should like to endorse the views put forward by the Combined Communities response to the changes to the Moseley ward boundary in Birmingham. The new proposal makes much more sense and accords in nearly every particular with the representations we made about the original proposal.

Jenny Peacock

Sent from my iPad
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: claire louise pearson
E-mail: 
Postcode: 
Organisation Name: 

Comment text:

As a home owner who purchased a house in ACOCKS GREEN I strongly object to this new proposal of a new ward area being created which involves my current location being changed to Tyseley & Hay mills. I have lived in Acocks Green for all of 27 years and my family have resided in the Acocks Green borough for almost 50 years now. We do not wish to change this and as a family that extends out of Acocks Green, I can assure you 15+ family members will also disagree and Severely object to this development. Moving onto a financial aspect, previously mentioned myself and my family have resided in Acocks Green and decided to purchase a home in the same borough just 7 years ago. Had we known this proposal would be published we would have been wholly inclined to purchase elsewhere. I know on a factual basis that this change will reduce the asking price of our property which is morally wrong. The government has an obligation to take in consideration current residents views. I hope to receive feedback and information in regards to this proposal in the coming months. Thank you

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Personal Details:

Name: Julia Pearson
E-mail: 
Postcode: 
Organisation Name: 

Comment text:

I object strongly you changing Acocks Green ward to Tyseley or Hay Mills. I bought a house in Acocks Green not in Tyseley or Hay Mills. If this change takes place my house will be instantly devalued by default. Will you be refunding the loss? I have lived in Acocks Green for 50 years - I work full time, claim no benefits and own my home, I have a choice where I live, and chose to live in Acocks Green when I bought my current house.

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From: Anne Peel
Sent: 14 June 2016 20:03
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: Re: Harborne and Quinton Wards.

Dear Sirs,

I herewith enclose a letter regarding the redrawing of Birmingham's boundaries. I look forward to hearing from you.
Regards,
Anne Peel.
14th June, 2016.

Sir or Madam,

Consultation on further recommendations for Birmingham City Council

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In summary, the proposal I am making will result in better, more appropriate representation for my neighbourhood and I urge you to give it serious consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Anne Peel.
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Sheila Pennington
E-mail: [Redacted]
Postcode: [Redacted]
Organisation Name: [Redacted]

Comment text:

My near neighbour on Green Road has asked me to support his request that Green Road be all within Moseley ward and not split down the middle as proposed. The community is a cohesive one, where they hold street parties for example. They do not have access to Sparkhill as their road access is to Moseley.

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I think it is important to keep Harborne separate from Quinton in the boundary so review.

Jeremy Peters

Sent from my iPhone
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Mr John Peyton
Yours faithfully,
<Your name>
Dear Sir,

Thank you for the new draft update on the proposed boundary changes to Erdington Village. I am pleased to hear you have listened to local people and hopefully keep Erdington Abbey (a Catholic church here before the Reformation) the Railway and Police Stations with in the Erdington ward. It really is old Erdington the village green being separated from this area under the previous proposal.

Thankfully,

Yours
Election Boundary Commission------

Contrary to what some parties are proposing, I would like my property,

[Redacted]

to remain in the HARBORNE WARD.

Thank you.
Maria Dolores Pires
Electoral Review of Birmingham: Further Draft Recommendations

Dear Review Officer,

I welcome some of the changes but are concerned and perplexed about the following decision - the inclusion of Monmouth Drive Playing Field in Sutton Trinity Ward instead of Sutton Vesey Ward.

The reasons are as follows:

1) It is important that the Playing Field is in the same ward as the properties opposite on Monmouth Drive. The Playing Field is connected by covenants to our properties and does not have these links around the corner with Somerville Road. If there are issues concerning the Playing Field it is important that the residents of Monmouth Drive and our Ward Councillors are aware of them.

2) There are 3 gates into the Playing Field, all of them off Monmouth Drive. This emphasizes the connection of the Field with this road.

3) The Playing Field does not contain any buildings so population figures are not affected. The website map showing current and proposed ward boundaries is out of date since it looks as if the Field contains 3 buildings. (A sports pavilion was taken down decades ago and the bases of old tennis courts remain overgrown with trees and other vegetation.)

4) You will see in my letter of 29th January that I included a photocopy of the plan of the covenanted land. The current ward boundaries within the park follow the boundaries of the covenanted land which includes Wyndley Pool and Wood. I would, however, be satisfied if just Monmouth Drive Playing Field were part of the ward of Wyndley Pool was included in Sutton Vesey Ward (as it is now) instead of being placed in Sutton Trinity Ward.

This would involve a small but important change that has no bearing on population numbers and I am hoping that this will be actioned.

Yours sincerely,

(MRS. C. PODMORE)
From: Hazel Pollock [mailto:...]
Sent: 01 June 2016 11:19
To: reviews <reviews@lgbce.org.uk>
Subject: Sutton Coldfield/Vesey Ward - Birmingham Review

Dear Commission

Thank you so much for listening (or, rather, reading) us with regard to the boundary reviews for Vesey Ward in Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham (Banners Gate, Boldmere and New Oscott).

It is a relief to retain the historic name of Vesey, to remain linked with New Oscott and Boldmere and, very pleasingly, to see Sutton Park more fairly and realistically shared between the wards.

Many thanks for your good offices .......... now, to be vigilant for the Electoral Boundary Commission!

Yours
Hazel Pollock
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Sylvia Porter
E-mail: [Redacted]
Postcode: [Redacted]
Organisation Name: 

Feature Annotations

Map Features:

Annotation 1: Please amend the indicated draft change to permit the 3 private properties in Speedwell Road, the synagogue and care home to remain in the Edgbaston Ward.

Annotation 2: There would very few registered voters in that area thus making little difference to any equalisation of constituents.

Comment text:

My husband and I have lived in Edgbaston at [Redacted] for 30 years and want to remain in that ward. We use public transport in Edgbaston and shop locally as well as in the city. We belong to the Calthorpe Residents Association and to Birmingham University Staff Association retired members club. I play bridge at Walker Hall and was a Soroptimist. We had our meetings in Edgbaston. We identify with Edgbaston. Ken and Sylvia Porter

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Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: Michael Potter
E-mail: 
Postcode: 
Organisation Name: Michael Potter Architect Ltd

Comment text:

I am concerned that the proposed boundary change to Balsall Heath will cut Balsall Heath in half. Nearly all of the area known locally as Balsall Heath will be in the proposed Sparkbrook Ward. Balsall Heath is one of the many "villages" which make up Birmingham. Balsall Heath is a very strong multi cultural community. It has recently produced and has adopted a Local Development Plan reflecting the present ward boundary. Balsall Heath is known locally and nationally as the heart of the Balti Belt based on and around Ladypool Road which under the proposed boundary change will be in the Sparkbrook Ward. For community engagement to continue it is vital that people are able to focus their efforts in an area they feel they relate to. This is very apparent at present as shown in community events like the Balsall Heath Carnival.

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Dear Sirs

I am writing on behalf of my elderly mother. We have found out, completely by accident, that you are proposing to change the boundaries of the Harborne Ward. My mother lives in Hampton Court Road.

My neighbours and I are very concerned as we have received nothing about this in the post or through the letter box from any governing body.

Can you please enlighten me as to what is happening and why?

Yours faithfully

Rebecca Prest
Please find attached a response to the further draft recommendations of the Electoral Review of Birmingham.

Robert (Bob) Prew
Submission in response to the Local Government Boundary Commission’s Further Draft Recommendations on the new electoral arrangements for Birmingham City Council

Mr. R.D. Prew

I have lived in King's Heath for over 40 years and during this time have been a committee member of King's Heath Neighbourhood (now Residents) Forum and King’s Heath Business Association, a director of King’s Heath Centre Partnership and King's Heath Business Improvement District and a co-organiser of the King's Heath Floral Trail and King's Heath Walk of Fame.

1. Summary

1.1 I very strongly support the further draft recommendation that King's Heath should be a separate 2 member electoral ward. The area which is commonly identified as King's Heath is currently divided between 3 local government wards and 2 parliamentary constituencies and has not received the attention from the Council that it deserves and requires.

1.2 For too long King's Heath has been treated administratively as a suburb of Moseley when it has a much larger shopping and commercial centre.

1.3 But Highbury Park needs to be included within the King's Heath Ward as originally recommended. No justification has been given for transferring the park to the newly recommended 2 member Moseley Ward.

2. The Need for Highbury Park to be included in King's Heath Ward

2.1 Highbury Park is a major feature of King's Heath.

2.2 Local residents, businesses and the City Council created King's Heath Centre Partnership to improve King's Heath. One of it's first initiatives was to establish the 10,000 step King's Heath Floral Trail linking Highbury Park with King's Heath Park and the shopping centre.

2.3 Highbury Park was part of the King's Heath's Floral Trail which came third in the national Britain In Bloom awards in 2013. King's Heath Centre Partnership and King's Heath Business Improvement District have paid for a community noticeboard in the park and helped create a Hay Meadow within Highbury Park as well as providing a number of other planting schemes. The park is supported in a number of ways by volunteers from King's Heath (e.g. Community Orchard project, planting, litter-picking etc). Residents of King's Heath recognise it as one of their parks intrinsically linked to King's Heath High Street by a park entrance.

2.4 While it is also a resource for a wider area it is very much serviced in practical ways by the activities of volunteers from King's Heath.

3. Conclusion and Recommendation

A single 2 member King's Heath Ward should be created including all of the proposed King's Heath Ward but also Highbury Park.

Robert Prew
Birmingham District

Personal Details:

Name: David Price
E-mail: [redacted]
Postcode: [redacted]

Organisation Name: 

Comment text:

I live on court oak road in harborne and do not want the ward boundary to be moved so that my property becomes part of the Quinton ward and therefore reduces my house value.

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