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Hello

Rawdon is a Village of Leeds, West Yorkshire.

The proposed boundary review *divides* the village into two which makes no sense.

We speak for our whole community when we say that we knit together as one united village in many ways. All residents and groups work hard, together with other community groups in the village - the Parish Council, library, historical society, sports & dance clubs, Sports and Guides, churches, schools, residents etc to *strengthen* on our **community's cohesion and identity**, not *dilute* it.

This is even more relevant now, given that the government place much importance on having a Neighbourhood Plan. Rawdon Village has worked tirelessly, as have neighbouring Forums and Town councils, to create a neighbourhood plan for the village. It is a challenge to manage this and a new learning curve but the Parish Council is working hard on it. However, to **SPLIT** the village over two Wards is bound to cause problems when it comes to discussing planning issues, when two sets of Ward Councillors will be required for one village's neighbourhood plan.

Why complicate things? Please redraw the boundary to *keep Rawdon in **ONE** Leeds Ward*.

Thank you.

Briony Sloan
Chair

On behalf of



*Actively defending the
special character of our village*

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