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Parish Review

Borough of Broxtowe

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TO THE RT. HON. PATRICK JENKIN MP
SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

1. In accordance with the responsibilities imposed by Section 48, subsection (8) of the Local Government Act 1972, Broxtowe Borough Council conducted a parish review and reported to us on 2 February 1983. The Borough Council's report, with supporting documents, is enclosed. It recommends us not to make any proposals for change to the present parish pattern in the borough.
2. We considered the Borough Council's report and associated comments in accordance with the requirements of Section 48(9) of the Act, together with the enclosed representations which were received direct and which are listed in the attached Schedule A. We were unable to obtain confirmation that a copy of their interim decision not to recommend any proposals had been put on deposit for inspection at the same time as it was announced in the local press. However, in the absence of any evidence to the contrary we accepted that the review was carried out in accordance with the requirements of Section 60 of the Act.
3. As a result of our initial consideration we had reservations about the Borough Council's decision not to recommend a new parish in the Stapleford area, particularly in view of the result of a survey conducted by the Stapleford Resident's Association, and representations in a similar vein made directly to us by local political parties and individual residents. We also noted that in Strelley parish no parish meeting had been convened since 1977. There were also minor changes to parish boundaries suggested by Greasley and Nuthall Labour Party which appeared to us to be sensible rationalisations. We decided, therefore, that we should exercise the powers conferred on us by Section 48, subsection (9) of the 1972 Act and review the whole of the borough ourselves.
4. In making this decision, we concluded that the circumstances were sufficiently exceptional to enable us to shorten the normal procedure by publishing draft proposals

at the same time as we announced our intention to carry out a review. On 12 December 1983 we issued a consultation letter announcing the start of a review and publishing our draft proposals, based on:-

- (a) the Stapleford Residents' Association's suggestion for a parish of Stapleford. Our draft proposals also contained details of warding arrangements for the new parish, which would be divided into three wards to be represented by 18 councillors, as follows:-

Stapleford North.	4,712 electors	(seven councillors);
Stapleford West	4,757 "	(seven councillors);
Stapleford East	3,173 "	(four councillors).

- (b) the suggestions of Greasley and Nuthall Labour Party for the re-alignments of the parish boundaries between -

- (1) Brinsley and Greasley at Cordy Lane;
- (2) Eastwood and Greasley at Chewton Street and Wyvern Close;
- (3) Eastwood and Greasley at Newmanley's Road; and
- (4) Greasley and Kimberley at Poplar Crescent and Woodside Avenue; and

- (c) the abolition of the parish of Strelley and the addition of its area to the parish of Trowell.

5. The letter was addressed to Broxtowe Borough Council; copies were sent to Nottinghamshire County Council, all parish councils and parish meetings within the area, the Members of Parliament for the constituencies concerned, the headquarters of the main political parties, Nottinghamshire Association of Local Councils, Stapleford Residents' Association and the editors both of local newspapers circulating in the area and of the local government press and to the local radio and television stations serving the area. Copies were also sent to all those who had taken part in the review conducted by

Broxtowe Borough Council. Notices in the local press announced the start of the review and invited comments from members of the public and from interested bodies.

6. Broxtowe Borough Council adhered to their original view that a parish should not be formed for Stapleford and that Strelley should be retained as a separate parish but they accepted the boundary adjustments relating to Greasley parish. The Nottinghamshire County Council were not in agreement with the proposals for the abolition of Strelley or the adjustments to the boundaries of Greasley but supported the creation of a parish for Stapleford.

Stapleford

7. The majority of the representations we received concerned Stapleford. Councillor Tysome, Councillor Booth and Councillor Hlland opposed the creation of a parish as did Broxtowe Conservative Association and three local residents. In addition 354 local residents signed a petition opposing a parish for Stapleford. However, Bramcote and East Stapleford Labour Party, Stapleford North and West Labour Party, Broxtowe District Labour Group, Broxtowe Divisional Liberal Association and the Greater Nottingham Society Co-operative Party Council together with the Cunnary Residents' Association and the Stapleford Residents' Association supported the proposal together with Councillor Jackson and Councillor Mrs Richardson. Twenty-five residents also wrote supporting the proposals. Stapleford Methodist Church supported the proposal and forwarded a petition signed by 72 parishioners whilst 186 people responded to a poll organised by Stapleford North, West and East Labour Party expressing their support for the proposal.

Strelley

8. Two representations were received regarding the abolition of the parish of Strelley; from the Strelley Village Preservation Society and from the recently appointed Chairman of Strelley Parish Meeting; the latter detailed the history as to how the parish had become non-functioning and the steps now being taken to re-activate it.

Boundary Adjustments affecting Greasley parish and others

9. Five representations were received relating solely to the adjustments to parish boundaries affecting the parish of Greasley. Greasley Parish Council objected to all of the boundary changes affecting their parish but advanced no specific reasons for so doing; Kimberley Parish Council and Eastwood Town Council suggested alternative boundaries to the changes affecting their parishes; Brinsley Parish Council supported the changes affecting their parish.

10. We reassessed our draft proposals in the light of the representations we had received. We had included a parish for Stapleford in the draft proposals because we believed that there was considerable support for it. The response showed that there was also a considerable volume of opposition to it, apart from that included by the Borough Council in their parish review report, as well as wider support than had emerged when the Council's report was published.

11. We analysed the reasons advanced against the creation of a parish. The Borough Council's response to our draft proposals simply repeated the reasons set out in their parish review report for rejecting the idea of a parish; these covered insufficient level of support, confusing boundaries, no significant improvement to services, and size. We had taken a different view from the Borough Council on the adequacy of the level of support for a parish and saw no particular problem over boundaries and size; the proposed parish would be within the ordinary guidelines set out in Circular 121/77. The issue of services as raised by the Council suggested to us a misconception about the role of a parish in an urban area; the circular guidelines say that parish councils are both units of community feeling and representation, and have practical uses in economical small scale administration. We see no need for proof that significant improvement in services as such will result from the formation of a Stapleford parish. Nor do we accept that increased public expenditure, contrary to Government Policy, is a necessary consequence of having such a parish; new parishes in both rural and urban areas have been created by Order as a result of proposals we have put forward; this would presumably not have been the case if there were any such fundamental objection in principle.

12. The letters from Councillors Booth, Hlland and Tysome, and the petition signed by 354 local residents, did not advance any arguments that had not been covered in the submissions from the Borough Council.

13. As already noted, we believed there was sufficient support for a Stapleford parish to justify our issuing draft proposals, and in the event, these attracted further support. We have accordingly reached the conclusion that in the light of the guidelines in Circular 121/77 the creation of a parish of Stapleford is justified and we make proposals accordingly.

14. We also considered the representations we received concerning the parish of Strelley and in the light of the steps now being taken to reactivate the parish we have decided to abandon this particular proposal. We also had regard to the representations made concerning the proposed boundary adjustments affecting Greasley parish. We considered the objections and alternative boundaries suggested by various bodies carefully. It appears to us, however, that the draft proposals are a sensible rationalisation of the boundaries and it would be conducive to effective and convenient local government to include them in our final proposals.

PROPOSALS

15. We accordingly make to you our final proposals for the creation of a new parish for Stapleford, including the warding arrangements described in paragraph 4(a) above and the adjustments to the parish boundaries between (1) Brinsley and Greasley at Cordy Lane; (2) Eastwood and Greasley at Chewton Street and Wyvern Close; (3) Eastwood and Greasley at Newmanley's Road; and (4) Greasley and Kimberley at Poplar Crescent and Woodside Avenue. Full details of our proposals are set out in Schedules B and C to this report and are illustrated on a large scale map which is being sent separately to your Department.

PUBLICATION

16. A letter is being sent with copies of this report (excluding enclosures) to Broxtowe Borough Council, asking them, in accordance with Section 60(5)(b) of the

Local Government Act 1972, to place the copies on deposit at their main offices and to put notices to this effect on public notice boards and in the local press. The text of the notices will refer to your power to make an Order implementing the proposals, if you think fit, after the expiry of six weeks from the date they are submitted to you; it will suggest that any comments on the Commission's report and proposals should be addressed to you, in writing, preferably within six weeks of the date of the letter. Copies of this report which includes a small scale sketch plan are also being sent to those who received the consultation letter and to those who made comments.

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Signed: G J ELLERTON (Chairman)

JOAN ACKNER

TYRRELL BROCKBANK

G E CHERRY

D P HARRISON

L B GRIMSHAW
Secretary

26 June 1984

Schedule A

The following individuals/bodies wrote to the Commission after publication of Broxtowe Borough Council's Parish Review Report:

1. Stapleford Residents' Association
2. Broxtowe Liberals (Divisional Association and the Bramcote and Stapleford branch)
3. Beeston and Stapleford Branch of the Greater Nottingham Society Co-operative Party Council
4. The Minister and the Secretary of the Neighbourhood Committee of Stapleford Methodist Church
5. Councillor and Mrs W Jackson
6. Ms A Mullender
7. Mr H Bucknall
8. Mr and Mrs R T Canton and 30 other electors of the Stapleford area

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Note: Where a boundary is described as following a road, railway, river, canal, or similar feature, it shall be deemed to follow the centre line of the feature, unless otherwise stated.

SCHEDULE 1

Proposal A: that the boundary between Brinsley CP and Greasley CP shall be realigned as described below.

Description of realigned boundary:

commencing at the point where the northwestern boundary of Greasley CP meets the southern boundary of Parcel No 0182 as shown on OS 1:2500 Microfilm (B) SK 4749, date of publication 1974, thence eastwards along said southern boundary to the northwestern boundary of Parcel No 9871, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary and continuing southwestwards along the northwestern boundary of Parcel No 9154 to the southwestern boundary of Parcel No 8261, thence northwestwards along said parcel boundary to the northwestern boundary of the dismantled Railway, thence southwestwards along said northwestern boundary to the southwestern curtilage of No 74 Cordy Lane, thence northwestwards along said southwestern curtilage to rejoin the existing CP boundary.

This proposal transfers an area of Greasley CP to Brinsley CP.

Proposal B: that the boundary between Greasley CP and Kimberley CP shall be realigned as described below.

Description of realigned boundary:

commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Kimberley CP meets the southern curtilage of No 15 Woodside Avenue thence northwestwards along said southern curtilage and the rear curtilages of Nos 17-25 and 31-43 Woodside Avenue to the western curtilage of the last-mentioned property, thence northeastwards along said western curtilage to the southern boundary of Woodside Avenue, thence northwestwards along said southern boundary and the southern boundary of the path leading from Woodside Avenue to Nottingham Road to a point opposite the western

curtilage of No 32 Woodside Avenue, thence northeastwards to and along said western curtilage and the western curtilage of No 28 Woodside Avenue to rejoin the existing CP boundary.

This proposed transfers an area of Kimberley CP to Greasley CP.

Proposal C: that the boundary between Eastwood CP and Greasley CP shall be realigned as described below:

Description of realigned boundary:

C1. commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Eastwood CP meets the southern boundary of Newmanleys Road, thence northwestwards along said southern boundary to Newmanleys Road, thence northeastwards along said road to a point opposite the southwestern curtilage of No 13 Newmanleys Road, thence southeastwards to and along said southwestern curtilage and northeastwards along the rear curtilages of Nos 13-1 Newmanleys Road and in prolongation thereof to the northeastern boundary of the Wire Products Factory, thence northwestwards along said northeastern boundary to the rear curtilage of No 2 Main Street (New Eastwood), thence northeastwards along said rear curtilage and northeastwards, northwestwards, northeastwards, southeastwards and northeastwards along the rear curtilages of Nos 4 and 6 Main Street (New Eastwood) to rejoin the existing CP boundary.

C2. commencing at the point where the existing eastern boundary of Eastwood CP meets the northeastern curtilage of No 10a Main Street (New Eastwood), thence northwestwards along said northeastern curtilage to Main Street (New Eastwood), thence northeastwards along said street to a point opposite the southwestern curtilage of No 16 Main Street (New Eastwood), thence southeastwards to and along said southwestern curtilage to the rear curtilage of said property, thence northeastwards along said rear curtilage and the rear curtilages of Nos 18-22 Main Street (New Eastwood) to the rear curtilage of No 189 Chewton Street, thence eastwards along said rear curtilage, the rear curtilages of Nos 187-177 Chewton Street, the southern boundary of the area of land between Nos 177 and 169 Chewton Street and the rear curtilages

of Nos 169-159 Chewton Street and continuing eastwards in a straight line to the rear curtilage of No 157 Chewton Street, thence eastwards along said rear curtilage and the rear curtilage of No 155 Chewton Street to the southeastern curtilage of the last-mentioned property, thence northeastwards along said southeastern curtilage to the rear curtilage of No 153 Chewton Street, thence southeastwards along said rear curtilage and the rear curtilages of Nos 151 and 149 Chewton Street to the southwestern curtilage of No 39 Wyvern Close, thence southeastwards along said southwestern curtilage and the southwestern boundary of the properties in Wyvern Close to the rear curtilage of No 43 Commons Close, thence northeastwards along said rear curtilage and the rear curtilages of Nos 45 and 47 Commons Close to rejoin the existing CP boundary.

This proposal transfers 3 areas of Eastwood CP to Greasley CP and transfers 3 areas from Greasley CP to Eastwood CP.

Proposal D: that a new parish to be named Stapleford, shall be created and will comprise the area described below.

The Broxtowe Borough Wards of Stapleford North and Stapleford West, and that part of the Broxtowe Borough Ward of Stapleford East bounded by a line commencing at the point where the eastern boundary of Stapleford West Ward meets the northwestern boundary of Stapleford East Ward, thence generally northeastwards along said northwestern boundary to Ewe Lamb Lane, thence eastwards and southwards along said lane to Derby Road, thence southwestwards along said road to a point opposite the northeastern curtilage of No 289 Derby Road, thence southeastwards, to and along said northeastern curtilage to the southeastern corner of said property, thence southeastwards in a straight line to the northwestern corner of No 14 Valmont Road, thence southeastwards along the rear curtilage of said property and the rear curtilages of Nos 16 and 18 Valmont Road to the northern curtilage of No 24 Valmont Road, thence westwards and southwards along the northern and western curtilages of said property to the northern boundary of Valmont Road, thence westwards along said northern boundary and southwards, eastwards and southwards along the western boundary of

said road to the western curtilage of No 58 Valmont Road, thence southwards along said western curtilage to the southwestern corner of said property, thence due south to the southeastern boundary of Stapleford East Ward, thence southwestards along said boundary and northwestwards along the southwestern boundary of said ward to the point of commencement.

SCHEDULE 2. Parish Electoral Arrangements

Proposal A: that the 3 areas of Greasley CP transferred to Eastwood CP in Proposal C in Schedule 1 shall form part of the South Ward of Eastwood CP, except that the area described below shall form part of the East Ward of Eastwood CP:

that area bounded by a line commencing at the point where the rear curtilage of No 39 Wyvern Close meets the eastern curtilage of No 149 Chewton Street, on the proposed boundary between Greasley CP and Eastwood CP, thence northwards along said eastern curtilage and southeastwards along the rear curtilages of Nos 147-143 Chewton Street to the eastern curtilage of the last-mentioned property, thence northwards along said eastern curtilage to the existing CP boundary, thence southeastwards along said CP boundary to the proposed CP boundary, thence southwestwards and northwestwards along said proposed boundary to the point of commencement.

Proposal B:

The proposed Stapleford CP, as described in Proposal D in Schedule 1 shall be divided into 3 wards as named and described below:

Stapleford North Ward shall comprise the Broxtowe Borough Ward of Stapleford North and will return 7 Councillors to the Parish Council.

Stapleford West Ward shall comprise the Broxtowe Borough Ward of Stapleford West and will return 7 Councillors to the Parish Council.

Stapleford East Ward shall comprise that part of the Broxtowe Borough Ward of Stapleford East which is within the proposed Stapleford CP and will return 4 Councillors to the Parish Council.

SCHEDULE 3. Revised Borough electoral arrangements, consequent upon the proposals consequent upon the proposals described in Schedules 1 and 2.

It is proposed that the Borough Wards, as defined in the District of Broxtowe (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1975, shall be altered as described below.

Proposal A: that the area of Greasley CP referred to in Proposal A in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Greasley Ward to the Brinsley Ward.

Proposal B: that the area of Kimberley CP referred to in Proposal B in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Kimberley Ward to the Greasley Ward.

Proposal C: that the area described in Proposal A in Schedule 2 as forming part of the East Ward of Eastwood CP shall be transferred from the Greasley Ward to the Eastwood East Ward.

Proposal D: that the remaining areas of Greasley CP, described in Proposal A in Schedule 2 as forming part of the South Ward of Eastwood CP, shall be transferred from the Greasley Ward to the Eastwood South Ward.

Proposal E: that the 3 areas of Eastwood CP referred to in Proposal C in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Eastwood South Ward to the Greasley Ward.

SCHEDULE 4. Revised County electoral arrangements, consequent upon the proposals described in Schedule 1.

It is proposed that the County Electoral Divisions, as defined in the County of Nottinghamshire (Electoral Arrangements) Order 1980, shall be altered as described below.

Proposal A: that the area of Greasley CP referred to in Proposal A in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Greasley and Nuthall ED to the Eastwood and Brimsely ED.

Proposal B: that the area of Kimberley CP referred to in Proposal B in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Kimberley and Trowell ED to the Greasley and Nuthall ED.

Proposal C: that the 3 areas of Greasley CP referred to in Proposal C in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Greasley and Nuthall ED to the Eastwood and Brinsley ED, and that 3 areas of Eastwood CP referred to in Proposal C in Schedule 1 shall be transferred from the Eastwood and Brinsley ED to the Greasley and Nuthall ED.

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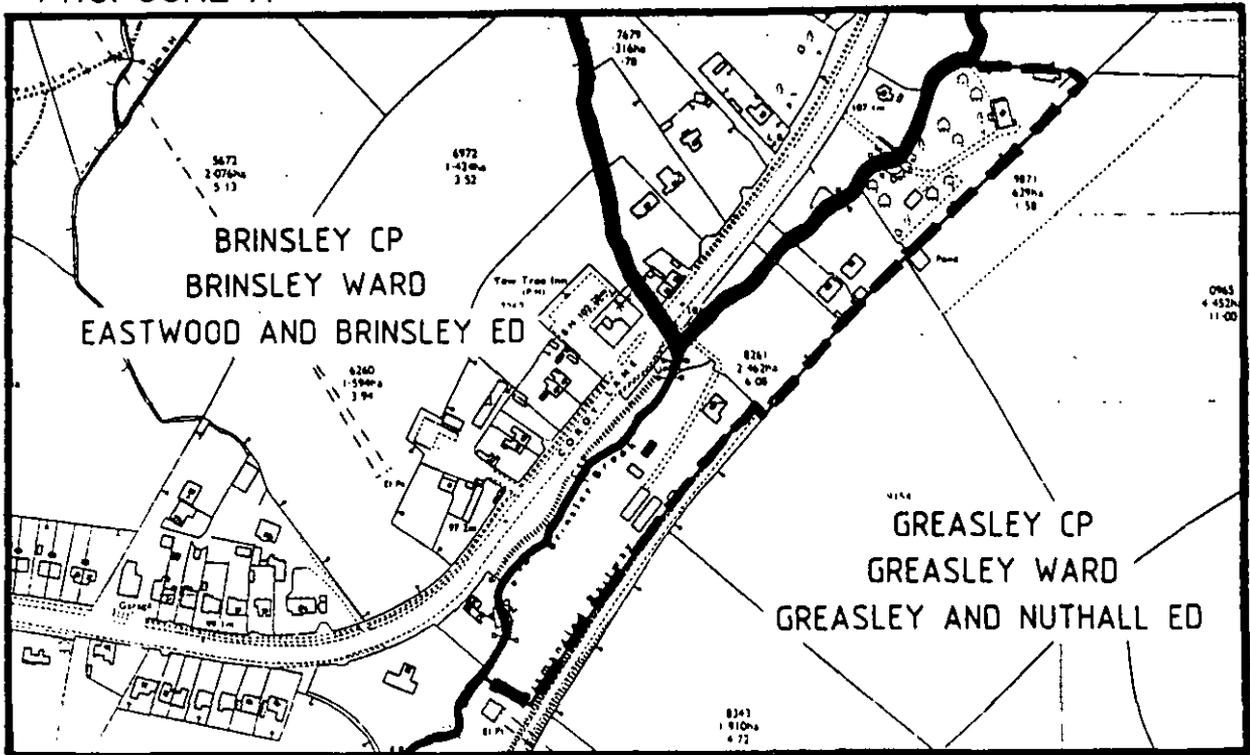
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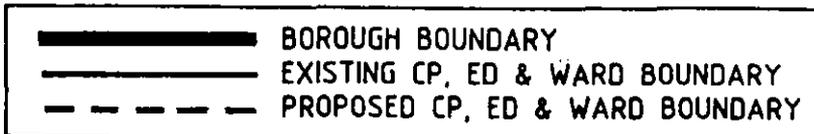
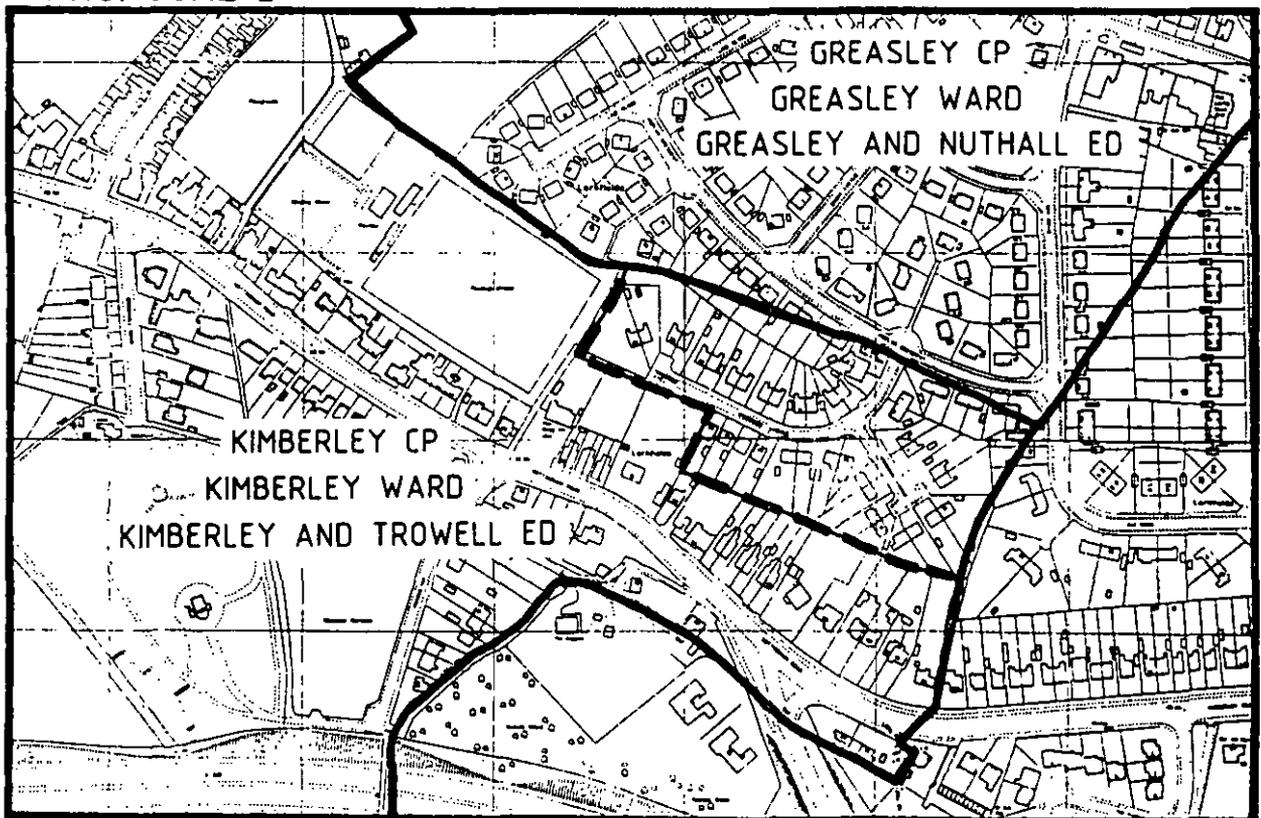
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PROPOSAL A



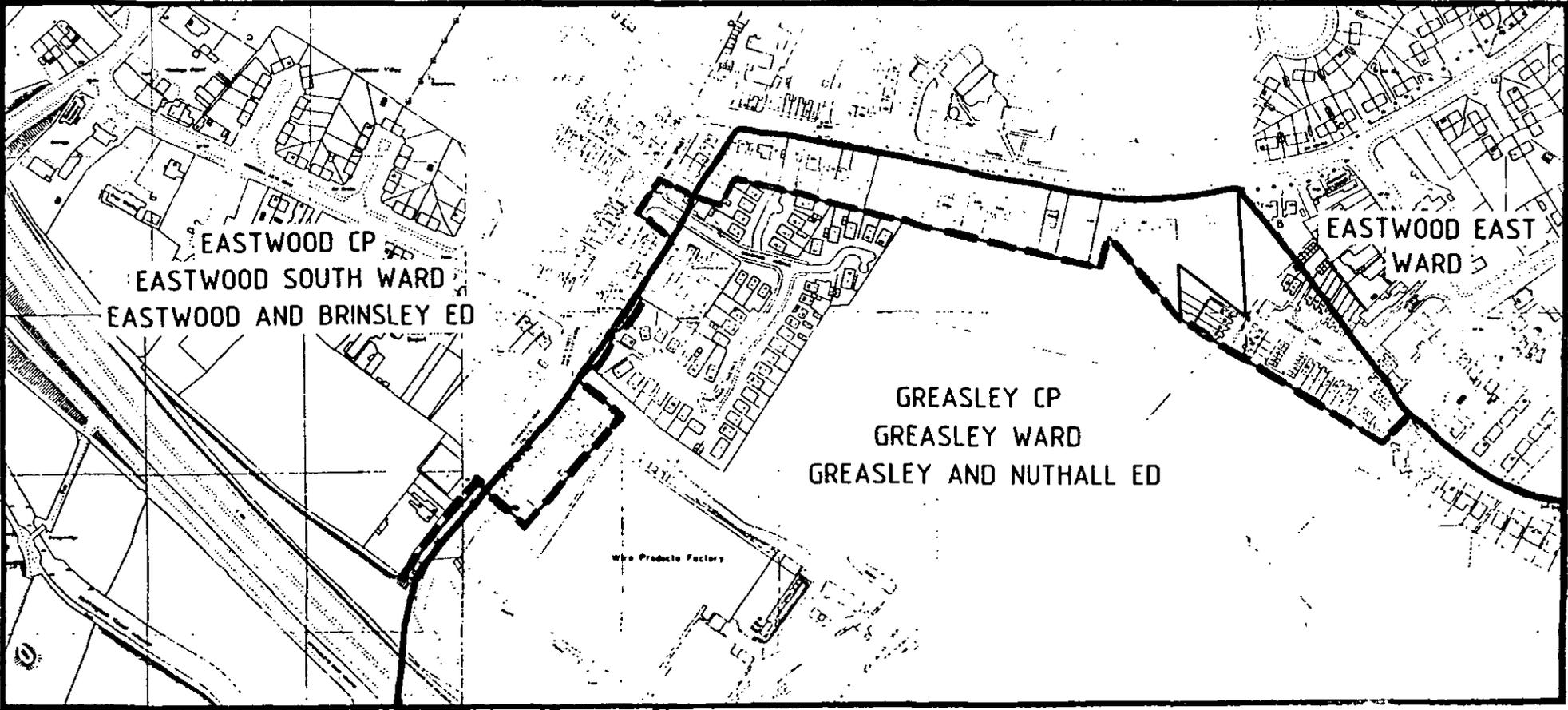
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PROPOSAL C



PROPOSAL D

