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From: Professor Peter Spufford [REDACTED]
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Dear Sirs,

We write as Secretary and Chairman of the Whittlesford Society, in response to your advertisement in our parish magazine.

Whittlesford is not a very unitary village, there is a central section along the High Street, and a southern section around the Railway Station and a northern section as well. The village tends to look north/south.

To the south is Duxford and we share a number of facilities with them.

For example our parish church is part of a group of five, with Duxford, Ickleton, Hinton and Pampisford. Our beavers, cubs and scouts are also jointly with Duxford. We use the bowls club in Duxford and the Women's Institute in Duxford. We have a primary school in the village, to which some children come from neighbouring villages, on the other hand some children from this village also go to the primary school at Duxford.

However, we also look to Sawston for a village college and for one of the health centres that is most used. Sawston has now developed a range of village shops, which many of us use. This village has only a single shop. To the north of us, Great Shelford also has a health centre, which some of us use. It also has a slightly smaller range of village shops, but it also has banking facilities that Sawston lacks. The north/south connection along the river valley dates back for centuries.

Whittlesford was once the centre point of Whittlesford hundred, which included Sawston, Pampisford, Hinxton, Duxford and Ickleton. We have strangely little connection with Triplow immediately to our west. We use the library at Sawston and there is also a mobile library which comes to the village. We have a railway station on the Cambridge to Liverpool Street line, which is effectively the railway station for Sawston, Duxford and Hinxton as well. We also have an access point to the motorway, which we share with Duxford. The Duxford Air Museum is partially in our parish, and those who live in the former officers houses, look towards us. Sawston has a gym and sports facilities in the village college but for other leisure activities we have to go as far as Cambridge or Saffron Walden. There are no major employers in this village, but, considerable numbers of people from here work in Cambridge or London and also in Hinxton and Duxford.

We hope this is of some use to you.

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