From: Catherine Smart, City Councillor for Romsey on Cambridge City Councillor.

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1) I completely agree with my colleague Councillor Tim Bick’s submission but wished to add some points from my own perspective

2) Unusually in an urban area Romsey is a distinct community with a bedrock of very long-standing residents. It is not unusual to talk to older people who speak of going to school with someone living in a neighbouring street. These long-term residents are very conscious of living in Romsey and being part of the Romsey community. Other residents who have moved in more recently, often quickly start to feel part of the community and consciously "a Romsey resident". Hiving off the north part of Romsey and putting those streets with Barnwell/Abbey makes no sense to either of these groups of residents and goes against the Commissions principles

3) Mill Road is the natural focus of the community along its whole length. The Mill Road Winter Fair, the recent short-listing of Mill Road in the Urban Street of the Year category, and the existence of the Traders Association all show that Mill Road is a focus not a boundary. From my knowledge of Mill Road, I hold that making Mill Road a boundary makes no sense in community terms.

For these reasons, I ask you to choose option B - your revised proposals

Catherine Smart