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## London Borough of Hillingdon Electoral Review

### Submission to The Local Government Boundary Commission for England

FAO – Review Officer (Hillingdon)  
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I write in reference to the current review of electoral arrangements in the London Borough of Hillingdon.

The Council of the London Borough of Hillingdon, at its meeting on 17 January 2019, noted the draft proposals of the Commission for electoral arrangements in the Borough and **RESOLVED**, inter-alia, that I, as Head of Democratic Services....."***in consultation with the Leader of the Council, be authorised to submit comments on the LGBCE proposals to the LGBCE by 18 March 2019 for the composition, size and name of wards for the London Borough of Hillingdon from May 2022 onwards.***"

In accordance with the decision made by Full Council and with the approval of the Leader of the Council, I therefore submit the following for consideration:

- The London Borough of Hillingdon warmly welcomes the endorsement of the Commission to its proposals for reducing the size of the Council to 53 Members w.e.f 2022.
- The Council broadly welcomes the Commission's electoral arrangements proposals including a warding pattern of 21 wards comprising:
  - Twelve, three-Member wards:
    - Belmore,
    - Colham and Cowley,
    - Eastcote,
    - Hayes Town,
    - Hillingdon East

- Ickenham and South Harefield
  - Pinkwell,
  - Ruislip,
  - South Ruislip,
  - Uxbridge
  - West Drayton and
  - Wood End
- Eight, two-Member wards:
    - Barnhill,
    - Charville,
    - Heathrow Villages,
    - Hillingdon West,
    - Northwood,
    - Northwood Hills,
    - Ruislip Manor and
    - Yiewsley
  - One, one-Member ward
    - Harefield Village
- The Council also welcomes the proposed boundaries for these wards, especially given that, in the majority of instances, the proposals reflect those as submitted by the Council at Stage 2 of the review. The arrangements for Uxbridge and Hayes town centres are particularly welcomed.
  - The Council would only wish to make comment on four of the proposed warding arrangements in particular and would suggest only one minor alteration, as detailed below in (d).

**a) Harefield Village and Ickenham & South Harefield Wards**

The Council recognises that the proposals for this area, which involve the splitting of the existing Harefield Ward, are likely to be quite contentious and appreciate the effort the Commission have gone through to produce a solution to the problems of local identity as outlined in our submission. The Council therefore supports the proposed arrangements for Harefield Village and Ickenham & South Harefield Wards.

**b) Ruislip**

The Council, in supporting the proposed Ruislip Ward, would wish to comment that Pembroke Park is appropriately placed in this ward as

- i) it is supported by public transport to and from Ruislip by means of the H13 bus route and
- ii) it is close to Bishop Ramsey Secondary School, acknowledged as a Ruislip school.

**c) Boundary of Ruislip & Ruislip Manor Wards**

The Council supports this proposed boundary noting that, using Pembroke Road, (a major bus and road network route) as the north/south boundary between Ruislip and

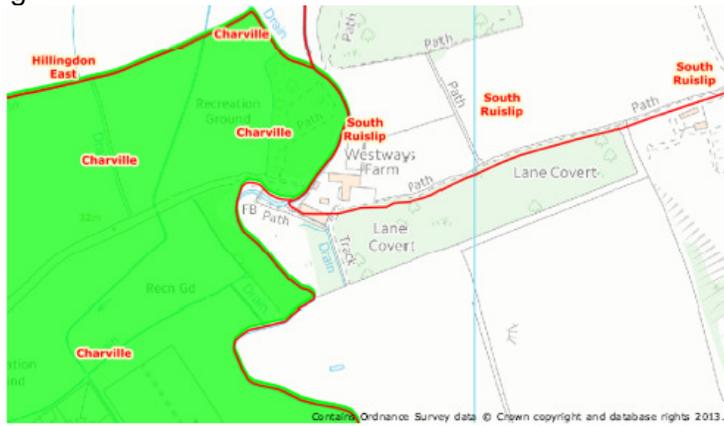
Ruislip Manor wards, is easier to understand and an improvement on the existing ward boundary split which occurs half way along Pembroke Road.

**d) Charville and South Ruislip Wards**

Whilst the Council generally welcomes the proposed boundaries for these two wards, we would respectfully suggest one minor alteration as follows:

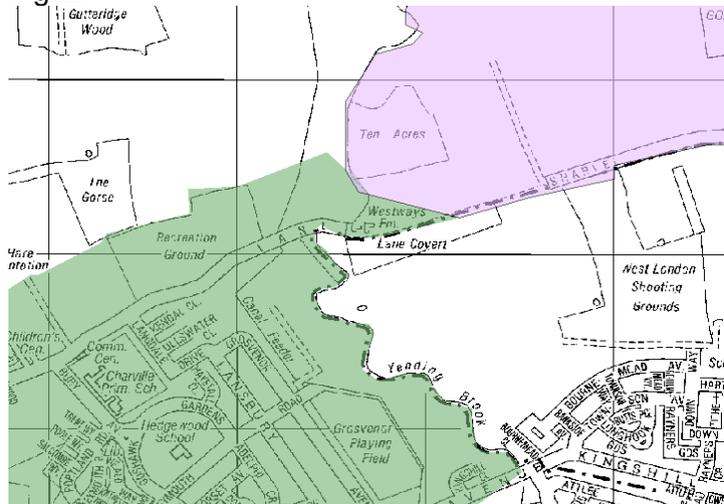
The proposed boundary line as drawn (fig' 1, below) is in accordance with the existing boundary and, unfortunately, isolates a property known as 'Westways Farm' within South Ruislip Ward. In order to vote in person this means that those residents have to make a considerable journey to their nearest South Ruislip polling station which involves leaving the Borough altogether.

Fig' 1:



The Council would suggest that this boundary line be re-drawn as shown (fig' 2, below) so that this property is located in Charville Ward. This was included in our submission at Stage 2:

Fig' 2:



These comments are respectfully submitted for the Commission's consideration. We look forward to the Commission's final recommendations:

Yours sincerely,



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