

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION REVIEW

### WARWICK DISTRICT

At present Lillington is split into two wards, Crown and Manor, we understand that the proposal is that Crown and Manor disappear and be merged into a new ward called 'Leamington North'.

The majority of this new ward is in the parish of Lillington. The village of Lillington was mentioned in the Domesday Book in 1086 and still maintains a very clear local identity. People who live here consider themselves to live in Lillington – not Leamington or even Leamington North. We have our own identity and our own Parish church.

It is surprising therefore that the plans for this new ward have moved the very heart of the original village into Milverton. This means that St Mary Magdalene's (Lillington Parish church) will be in Milverton. Lillington Manor and half the Lillington Village Conservation area will also be in Milverton.

North Leamington does not exist as any official government area, but geographically includes the parishes of Lillington, Cubbington and Milverton

Lillington Parish Church Council therefore objects strongly to the proposed changes on the grounds that:

- The name is wrong and misleading. 'North Leamington' geographically includes more than Lillington
- To exclude half the old village centre and the parish church shows no respect for community identity.

We would encourage the commissioners to reconsider the boundaries for the parish of Lillington, however failing this we would wish that the new wards incorporate the name of Lillington, e.g

- Milverton and Lillington village
- Lillington and North Leamington

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