



**Ticehurst Parish**  
**Council**  
**Chairman:**



**QUALITY  
PARISH  
COUNCIL**

**VILLAGE OF THE YEAR RUNNERS UP 2008**

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LONDON  
SW10 4QP



This is a copy of our submission to our district authority which we hope they will take into account before responding to yourselves

Dear Sirs

Warding pattern for Rother District Council.

It is understood that the above committee will be meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> November to discuss the proposed warding pattern.

Ticehurst Parish Council would support Robertsbridge and Salehurst remaining together and would also request that serious consideration is given to Ticehurst, Flimwell and Stonegate remaining together, with the addition of Hurst Green. This would then be a two ward member area with 4335 electors (only 140 more than the recommended 2027 for each).

This would consequentially reduce the Burwash, Etchingam, Mountfield and Brightling area to 3739 electors (only 157 less than the recommended figure).

The geographic make up and connectivity of the area create a more realistic 'patch' to represent us. The current groupings have been done on an east to west line and what is proposed, which would split our parish, is a vertical north to south linking, which have traditionally not been aligned.

There are strong ties between the wards of the current Ticehurst parish and Hurst Green which would ensure a fair representation from District Councillors, coupled with having the A21 issues in common. The main B2099 road runs from Ticehurst Parish into Hurst Green, and some of our electorate have Hurst Green postal addresses.

The younger generation, in many cases use the same schools with historical tradition within families of those links.

The village halls of Hurst Green, Ticehurst and Stonegate all offer classes and functions that compliment one another and share facilities such as the closest petrol suppliers.

The Council hopes that you will recognise the direct link between the wards of Ticehurst parish and the already suggested link with Hurst Green.

Yours faithfully

  
Francesca Nowne  
Clerk to the Parish Council