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County Councillor for the
Ilkeston Electoral Division (Labour)



30 May 2012

Dear Sir or Madam

As an Erewash Borough Councillor, Derbyshire County Councillor and an Ilkeston resident, I live and work in the community that I represent every day of the year. I strongly oppose the proposed boundary changes to create three new areas.

I fully support the proposals to merge the three existing divisions into one to create an easily identifiable Division with three elected County Councillors in post to serve the Town as a whole-this would work.

Councillors would be able to work together to serve the residents of Ilkeston with equality and in partnership as a Team, while addressing the issue of numbers of electorates on roll.

In particular, as the elected County Councillor for the Ilkeston area I strongly object to the division of the Town in this manner as the draft suggests splitting West, East and cutting Old Park off from the Central Community.

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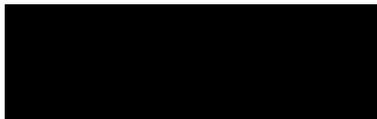
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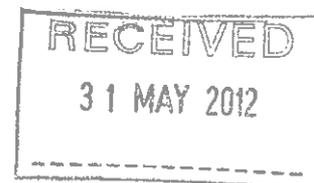
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Therefore, I submit my statement based on local knowledge, facts for information and a keen interest to help local Government best serve the people it aims to.

Yours faithfully



GLENNICE BIRKIN



Lawrence, Arion

From: Gregory, Eleanor
Sent: 06 June 2012 10:18
To: Lawrence, Arion
Subject: FW: Draft recommendations on the new electoral arrangements for Derbyshire County Council

From: Blank, Sharon (Elected Member) [mailto:Sharon.Blank@derbyshire.gov.uk]
Sent: 05 June 2012 21:13
To: Reviews@
Subject: Draft recommendations on the new electoral arrangements for Derbyshire County Council

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Dear Sir or Madam,

As an elected Derbyshire County Councillor representing Spire Division in the Borough of Chesterfield I wish to make the following submission regarding the proposed change to this division.

The Commission's draft proposals involve splitting polling district PA1 between Spire Division and Loundsley Green & Newbold Division. I believe that the community identity of this area would be better reflected if the whole of PA1 was included in the Loundsley Green & Newbold Division and polling district PA3 remained within Spire Division.

The inclusion of the whole of polling district PA1 in the Loundsley Green & Newbold Division not only avoids the unnecessary separation of the area known locally as the Highbury estate but it also reunites Edinburgh Road, Rhodes Avenue and Highfield Road with the much larger "Newbold" estate, of which this part of PA1 forms some of the original outer edge. The main road access to this area tends to be via Newbold Road to the West.

In contrast, the main road access for the residents of polling district PA3 is via Sheffield Road to the East, which is one of the main highway links within Spire Division. Indeed, people living on the Peveril Estate and the Eastern ends of Gloucester Road and Tapton View Road tend to be associated with the Sheffield Road side of Chesterfield rather than the Newbold Road side.

This slight change reflects more accurately local community identity than the Commission's draft proposals and will secure more efficient and effective local government. In addition, it also avoids the unnecessary splitting of an existing polling district which can cause a lot of confusion for local electors.

If the whole of polling district PA1 is included in the Loundsley Green & Newbold Division and the whole of PA3 remained in Spire Division, in 2017 Loundsley Green &

Newbold Division would have an electorate of 9,049, 7% below the County average (compared to the Commission's proposal of 9,413, 3% below the County average) and Spire Division would have an electorate of 9,323, 4% below the County average (compared to the Commission's proposal of 8,959, 8% smaller than the County average).

I trust that you will take these comments into consideration before making a final decision in relation to the changes to the boundary between Spire Division and Loundsley Green & Newbold Division.

Yours faithfully,

Sharon Blank

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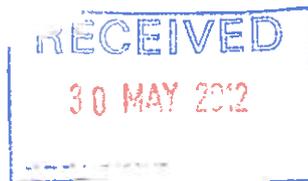
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County Councillor for the Kirk
Hallam Electoral Division (Labour)



29 May 2012

Dear Sir or Madam

As an Ilkeston resident involved in all aspects of the community and as a Derbyshire County Councillor currently representing the Kirk Hallam Division in Erewash Borough I offer a statement for your consideration on the changes to the boundaries in your Review. I fully support the proposals to merge the three existing divisions into one to create an easily identifiable Division with three elected County Councillors in post to serve the Town as a whole-thus enabling the electorate ease of identification and access and the Councillors to work collaboratively to serve people with equal access to residents who introduce themselves as Ilkeston Citizens, not as residing in places labelled as Divisional Areas as the Council boundary lines currently suggest, such as 'Cotmanhay' or 'Kirk Hallam', while addressing the issue of numbers of electorates on roll.

In particular, as the elected County Councillor for the Kirk Hallam area

I must strongly object on behalf of the electorate, to the proposal to split the estate between two divisions, thus dividing a community who use the same secondary school and church and who are represented by the same Community Police officers, Surestart Facility, Church Groups and Scouts Groups to mention but a few.

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Last but not least, the Annual Ilkeston Charter Fair offers pride of place again to people who live in this close knit Market Town.

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To conclude, I note the newly revised and newly named Erewash Borough Council 'Community Forum for Ilkeston' have now combined to offer their services of consultation and presentation and amalgamated their previous North and South Forums in response to a Citizens Survey consisting of 1,000 people, asked about the delivery of Residents Forums and how it was deemed best to engage with local people on subjects of a shared interest. This approach to join the previously divided status of the Forum was deemed necessary to satisfactorily act on the response of the Citizens surveyed.

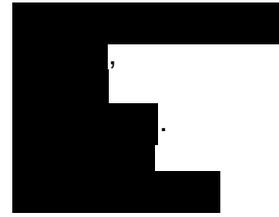
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Yours faithfully

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MICHELLE BOOTH

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7 September 2012

Dear Sir,

Review of Derbyshire County Council Boundaries

I am writing in response to the Electoral Review of Derbyshire County Council conducted by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

With reference to the section relating to Amber Valley, on the whole I agree with the majority of your findings. However, I feel I must make the following observations and objections to your recommendation to create two new divisions of Alfreton and Somercotes, together with Swanwick and Riddings.

I wish to record my grounds for objection as follows:

You are setting a precedence by implementing 'two member Divisions' which is an anomaly for Derbyshire, who traditionally operate a successful single member system. I fully accept the need to move forward, but in this case "if it's not broke, why fix it?".

It will create confusion to the electorate. I find no credible evidence within the report to justify any benefit to residents of having a two member division in two specific areas. I accept Borough Councils operate with multiple Councillors, but not at County level and I foresee conflict, confusion and a lack of confidence in the system.

To implement your proposals would incur costs to effectively inform the electorate of the changes and the reasons for doing so. In times of financial prudence and restraint, I do not consider that such expenditure is warranted.

Electoral inequality could be achieved by minor adjustments which would see the Alfreton ward polling districts of (AWP) transferred to the Somercotes Division.

Yours faithfully,

Kevin Buttery
Amber Valley Borough Councillor for Kilburn, Denby & Holbrook

Lawrence, Arion

From: Charles, Alan (Elected Member) [Alan.Charles@derbyshire.gov.uk]
Sent: 29 May 2012 14:55
To: Reviews@
Subject: Derbyshire LGBC Review
Attachments: Response to LGBC proposals on DCC County Divisions from Eckington and Killamarsh Parish Councils.doc

Dear Commissioners – I am responding to the draft recommendations into the boundary review for Derbyshire County Council. As the sitting elected member for Killamarsh I do appreciate the difficulty in trying to resolve the issue of equity of electorate versus community identity and interest. From your deliberations thus far you will be very aware of the difficulty in achieving this balance, specifically due to the geographical position of Killamarsh which has no natural adjoining Derbyshire community apart from the very small village of Spinkhill. Whilst I would prefer Killamarsh to remain a distinct electoral division you have made your position clear that you will not accept that position, so I will not make the argument. Having said that I am concerned at your draft recommendation to include Spinkhill, Renishaw and Eckington Town Centre within the Killamarsh division. There are very few community links between these communities with no direct main road link. Further this proposal causes significant disruption to the natural communities associated with Eckington.

However, along with many colleagues I was very interested to see your innovative proposal to solve difficult equity/community difficulties in Amber Valley and Glossop to introduce '2 member' divisions. This option does also appear to be a very attractive solution to the Killamarsh / Eckington 'problem'. A 2 seat division here would appear to resolve both issues; equity of numbers giving 9,627/9,717 voters respectively whilst not disrupting long existing community identities and links. It is also my understanding that this does resolve some of the difficult 'knock-on' problems moving into Coal Aston and Dronfield.

I am aware that this option is being supported by the Derbyshire County Council Labour Group and has also attracted the support of both Killamarsh and Eckington Parish Councils and I hope that you will give this serious consideration and will be able to positively support this solution.

I am also a member of Killamarsh Parish Council and I have attached the joint submission from both Parish Councils.

Yours sincerely

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From: Gregory, Eleanor
Sent: 12 April 2012 10:46
To: Lawrence, Arion
Subject: FW: Boundaries draft recommendations Derbyshire Sawley division

From: Councillor Chris Corbett [mailto:Councillor.Chris.Corbett@erewash.gov.uk]
Sent: 11 April 2012 12:27
To: Reviews@
Subject: Boundaries draft recommendations Derbyshire Sawley division

I write as Ward Councillor for Wilsthorpe which includes the polling district OB. The draft recommendations suggest that OB be moved from the Sawley division into the Petersham division. I support this move as it creates a fairer level of electoral equality. In addition polling district OB includes houses on Wilsthorpe Road up to number 324a, with their neighbours 326 onwards already being in the Petersham division. Putting these houses in the same division will help create a more coherent boundary.

On a separate matter, I think the Breadsall Division should be named West Hallam as West Hallam is by far the largest conurbation in that division.

Councillor Chris Corbett
Wilsthorpe Ward
Erewash Borough Council

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From: Gregory, Eleanor
Sent: 06 June 2012 17:33
To: Lawrence, Arion
Subject: FW: support for commission re Ilkeston in Derbyshire

From: christopher corbett [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: 06 June 2012 16:21
To: Reviews@
Subject: support for commission re Ilkeston in Derbyshire

Dear Sirs

I support the Boundaries Commissions suggestion of splitting Ilkeston into East and West divisions for Derbyshire County Council. There is a much better community feel about the West rather than the current split

Councillor Chris Corbett

Erewash Borough Council

Lawrence, Arion

From: Gregory, Eleanor
Sent: 06 June 2012 17:33
To: Lawrence, Arion
Subject: FW: Boundary Changes in Erewash, Derbyshire

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From: custance VALERIE [mailto:valcustance@ntlworld.com]
Sent: 06 June 2012 17:13
To: Reviews@
Subject: Boundary Changes in Erewash, Derbyshire

Dear Sir

Regarding the boundary changes proposed for Ilkeston, I'm in full agreement and consider it to be an excellent proposal.
I maintain that a change from a North South division to an East West division to be much more in keeping with the community.

Yours faithfully

Cllr Val Custance
Abbotsford Ward
Erewash Borough Council

Lawrence, Arion

From: Cllr Emmas-Williams, Chris [cllr.chris.emmas-williams@ambervalley.gov.uk]
Sent: 28 May 2012 12:37
To: Reviews@
Subject: Review of Derbyshire County Council Elecoral Divisions.

Importance: High

To Whom it may concern,

Please find below my objections to some of the proposals which effect the area that I have represented for 28 years on Codnor Parish Council and 26 years on Amber Valley Borough Council.

My first comment regards the last boundary review which took place with regards to the Borough Council. This was sensible as it was based on Communities not just a numbers game which appears to be behind a lot of the latest changes. For instance the street where I live along with the top parts of Holborn View and Mill Lane used to be in the Ripley Town Council Ward of Waingroves due to the old actual boundary line which then became part of the Codnor Ward for the Parish Council and quite rightly so. When the new Borough Council Wards where put in place the whole of the Community of Codnor and the Community of Waingroves where used to create a two member ward .As both villages share a common open space for recreation purposes with a footpath linking them both which enables children to go to the Waingroves Primary School and Mill Hill Secondary School seemed sensible.

As I mentioned earlier Codnor has its own Parish Council whereas Waingroves has always been linked to the Ripley Town Council with a single member ward and through my earlier comments regarding the old boundary this has been the case for many years. Waingroves has never had any link to Heanor but Codnor did come under the Heanor Urban D C many years ago.

Codnor and Waingroves Primary Schools have always been part of the Ripley schools 'cluster' with the head of the Codnor school playing a prominent role. They have also both been regarded as being in the main 'Catchment Area' for Mill Hill School with only the odd child choosing Heanor gate as their preference.

My last point which I think is very pertinent is that both villages use the post code of DE5 and not the DE75 which is used for Heanor properties, once again pointing towards the relationship with Ripley.

Please ensure that my views are taken into account when the decision is reviewed.
Regards

Cllr. Chris Emmas-Williams

Amber Valley Borough Councillor for Codnor & Waingroves

Leader Codnor Parish Council

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From: Gregory, Eleanor
Sent: 06 June 2012 10:17
To: Lawrence, Arion
Subject: FW: Derbyshire County Council- review of electoral arrangements

From: Gillott, Kevin (Elected Member) [mailto:Kevin.Gillott@derbyshire.gov.uk]
Sent: 05 June 2012 16:56
To: Reviews@
Subject: Derbyshire County Council- review of electoral arrangements

Dear Commissioners,

Derbyshire Electoral Review

I write as the sitting elected member for the North Wingfield & Tupton division of Derbyshire County Council to make comment of the Commission's draft proposals arising from its electoral review of Derbyshire and in particular upon how they affect the communities I currently represent.

Having been the elected member for these two villages for over 15 years and having lived in one or other of them for even longer I first of all wish to register my objection to the Commission's proposal to divide this division. These two communities have much in common with many community and families ties that bind them both together into a cohesive unit. For the Commission to ignore this community identity and interests, to propose a solution that divides the Parish of North Wingfield in two, to ignore the fact that over 1,000 new homes are scheduled to be built within this division- indeed developers have published plans for 500 new properties since the Commission published its draft-highlights the weaknesses of what appears to be little more than a desk top numbers exercise by the Commission. At a time when public disenchantment with politicians and the political process is reaching worrying levels for our democracy the Commission's draft proposals, if adopted, are likely to add to that feeling of public alienation by creating divisions that have no respect from the communities they are supposed to serve and they are unlikely to be long lasting.

However, I recognise that the Commission is now so far down the line with its proposal for Derbyshire to remain a 64 member authority that it is now highly unlikely to go back on this figure. I will, therefore, restrict my comments to highlighting the weaknesses of the Commission's proposals for these two communities and to suggest alternative boundaries that attempt to be more than a mere numbers exercise and that do at least try and balance the statutory criteria.

North Wingfield

The Commission's proposals for this village involve dividing it into two with half included in a Clay Cross South division and the other half within a Sutton division. I struggle to comprehend how the Commission justifies such a proposal as securing efficient and effective local government or as creating divisions that reflect community identity and interests of this village

North Wingfield is a community of approximately 5,000 adults. It has its own parish church, primary school, community centre, village pubs & clubs, Post Office, pharmacy, doctors surgeries, petrol station, newsagent and shop. It has its own Scouts and Guides, Darby & Joan, a Natter & Nosh pensioners group and an Evergreen pensioners club, allotment societies, a Tenants & Residents Association, youth football team, the village pubs run their own football teams, a community association, a village craft group and a parent and toddler group. All of these organisations draw their membership from the whole of the village and give it a sense of community. Originally a mining village, there is still a strong shared

mining history in the village even though the local pit may have closed many years ago.

Dividing the village in two would deny all of these groups and the village an effective community leader at the County Council level. The village has an active Parish Council that works hard for its community and that benefits from having a single county councillor to work with. Were the village to be split in two the workload of the two elected members would increase disproportionately as they would both have to form working relationships with all of these bodies.

The proposed boundaries of the Commission's divisions in North Wingfield lack clarity. At the geographical heart of the village is the Village Green. The Commission's draft boundaries cut through The Green in a manner most villagers would find difficult to understand.

The Commission's proposal to include the southern half of the village in a Clay Cross South division makes little sense. The main road through North Wingfield, the A6175, runs into the Commission's proposed Clay Cross North division. Whilst there may be grounds for linking North Wingfield with Clay Cross North, many North Wingfield residents use the large supermarket, outdoor market, community hospital, dentists, doctors surgeries and leisure centre located within Clay Cross North, there are no similar community links with the Clay Cross South area and even less the other villages that form the southern end of this proposed division. Road links within this Clay Cross South division whilst adequate on a map are, in reality poor, locals would not use the internal road links but would instead use the A6175 as the main route for traversing one end of the Clay Cross South division to the other.

The Commission proposes to include the other half of North Wingfield in the new Sutton division and there are clearly strong grounds for linking North Wingfield with the community of Holmewood & Heath. Both villages are situated along the A6175. Part of North Wingfield Parish is included in the Holmewood & Heath district council ward. Residents from the eastern end of the A6175 use facilities in both villages and there are shared families ties that link these two communities. Indeed, much of Holmewood was within the boundaries of North Wingfield Parish until a previous local government review.

There are also strong grounds for linking North Wingfield with the village of Grassmoor. However, the Commission's proposals to link part of North Wingfield with part of Grassmoor makes no sense at all. The main road link between the two villages is the B6038 and yet this would not be the main internal road link within the proposed Sutton division for these two villages. Grassmoor, like North Wingfield, has village wide community groups and so the elected members for the Grassmoor divisions would have to form working relationships with all of these groups, doubling up the work load for those councillors. Grassmoor too would lack a single community leader and the Parish Council there would lack a single point of contact.

Alternative proposal

If the Commission proceeds with its intention to allocate eight members to the North East Derbyshire area I would propose that it creates a single member division based on the district council wards of North Wingfield, Holmewood and Heath and Calow called North Wingfield & Sutton. Whilst there are no meaningful links between North Wingfield and the Calow area that ward is currently linked Holmewood & Heath ward and has to be linked with either that ward or the Grassmoor ward. This suggestion avoids splitting any parish council, has adequate internal road links and with a projected electorate of 10,751 in 2017 is 10% larger than the county average.

Tupton

I would support the Commission's proposal to keep the village of Tupton whole. However, I have grave concerns about the idea of including it in the proposed Clay Cross North division. Clay Cross is by far the largest community in this part of NED and would dominate this division. The elected member for this division would find themselves having to form working relationships with all of the community groups in Clay Cross, Grassmoor and Tupton giving them a hefty workload. Because so many parish councils and communities are split between two divisions under the Commission's draft proposals elected members

would have to share the community leadership role for representing all three of those villages with other county councillors. The parish councils for these three villages plus Wingerworth Parish Council which covers polling district XC in the Tupton district council ward would not have a single county councillor to work with. Where would an elected member put their efforts when they just represent bits of lots of communities rather than the whole of one or two villages? How can you have a vision for your community when you don't represent a whole community? I struggle to comprehend the Commission's rationale for this proposed division as a means of securing effective and efficient local government or creating a division that best reflects community identity and interests. It is simply a product of numbers.

I also note that the Commission's proposed solution for the village of Wingerworth is to link it with Ashover and Shirland. There are few if any shared interests between Shirland and Wingerworth and the only road link is the A61 which requires the user to leave the proposed division and travel through the Clay Cross South and Clay Cross North divisions which is hardly conducive to effective and efficient local government.

Alternative proposal

I would, therefore, propose an alternative division based on a single member seat comprising the district council wards of Grassmoor, Tupton and Wingerworth together with polling district CF from the Brampton & Walton district council ward to be called Grassmoor, Tupton and Wingerworth division. Such a division has strong internal road links, is largely coterminous with district council wards and with the three parish councils. With an electorate of 10,912 in 2017 it would be 12% above the county average. All three of these communities have a shared interest in the reclamation and development of The Avenue site situated along the A61 and so a division bringing the whole site within its boundaries has a lot to recommend it.

I would also propose that the Commission consider creating a 2 member division for the remaining wards in the south of NED, namely Ashover, Clay Cross North, Clay Cross South, Pilsley & Morton and Shirland. There is excellent internal road links within this division, predominantly along the A61. With an electorate of 18,811 in 2017 it would mean that the number of electors per member would be 9,405, some 4% smaller than the county average and well within acceptable limits.

Finally, if the Commission is minded to affirm its current draft proposed divisions for this area of NED I would strongly urge that it visits the communities involved and see its proposed boundaries before going ahead with that decision.

Yours faithfully,
Councillor Kevin Gillott
County Councillor for the North Wingfield & Tupton Division
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Dear Sir/Madam,

In the review the ward that I represent is referred to as Breadsall ward, this has always been known as Breadsall/West Hallam ward and I would ask that this name is the one that is used.

Regards,

Cllr.Carol Hart

Ward Member – Breadsall/West Hallam

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Your feedback: I am a North East Derbyshire District Cllr my ward is Unstone. I am extremely unhappy about the suggested boundary change for my ward. Unstone Ward covers quite a large area and has very strong connections to Dronfield. Most of the young people of my ward attend Dronfield Henry Fanshawe senior school. Residents use the doctors and dentists in Dronfield. There is a regular bus service to Dronfield. There is also the Dronfield and Unstone Joint Burial

Committee. Residents use Dronfield Sports Centre.
Unstone and the other main village Apperknowle has no community connection with Eckington. The residents cannot even catch a direct bus service to visit Eckington.
At a recent Parish meeting the residents were quite upset about the suggested change.
I would like you to please reconsider your options and allow Unstone to stay as it is.
Regards
Cllr Janet Hill
Unstone Ward

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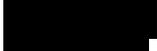
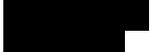
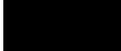
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Your feedback:

Dear Sir

I am writing in support of the DCC proposals for the Wingerworth and Shirland Division, including the suggestion that the name for the electoral division should be Brackenfield.

I am currently the Derbyshire County Councillor for Stonebroom and Pilsley Division, part of which would make up the new Brackenfield Division and the North East District Councillor for Shirland Ward and Parish Councillor for Wessington Parish Council. I am also a resident in the village of Wessington and own land and an agricultural business within the Parishes of Wessington, Brackenfield and Ashover. My daughter also attends the nursery in Ashover. Because of this I feel I understand the nature and make-up of the local communities that could be part of the proposed new division.

There are clear links, both in terms of communications and communities between many of the rural villages, as well as a shared rural identity fringing the western edge of North East Derbyshire District from Wingerworth to Shirland and Stonebroom. The make-up of the proposed division would make for more effective local governance due to the natural connectivity between these communities.

I have been contacted on occasion over the last three years by people in Ashover Parish who believed that I was their County Councillor. Therefore, the proposed changes would make more sense, I believe, to local people and improve access to local government and make it less confusing.

I support the name Brackenfield for the neutrality of the name and for historic reasons, as I understand that a similar division existed in the past that also bore this name.

Yours faithfully

Barry Lewis
Derbyshire County and NEDDC District Councillor

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County Councillor for the
Cotmanhay Electoral Division (Labour)



29 May 2012

Dear Sir or Madam

As an elected Derbyshire County Councillor representing Cotmanhay division in the Borough of Erewash, I wish to make the following submission regarding the town of Ilkeston which currently has three separate County Council divisions and would suggest that the three divisions are merged into one with three elected County Councillors.

Erewash as a Borough Council is made up of two main towns, Ilkeston and Long Eaton and a smaller town of Sandiacre of which none are in close residential proximity to Ilkeston.

There are presently three Derbyshire County Councillors representing the three divisions of Cotmanhay with an electorate from December 2011 of 10,260, Ilkeston with an electorate from December 2011 of 9,583 and Kirk Hallam with an electorate from December 2011 of 7,687, none of which are parished and having only one division for Ilkeston town would alleviate any disruption to the community with only having one division.

The town itself is a compact town within the Borough of Erewash with all three divisions embracing each other. Historically up until the boundary changes of 1974 Ilkeston had its own Borough Council for Ilkeston and since then residents/organisation have still retained their town identity, as it encompasses all areas in the Ilkeston town.

For information and to name some local Ilkeston organisations and functions that serve the whole of the town are:

Ilkeston and District Local History Society
Ilkeston Age Concern (Age UK)
Ilkeston Ladies Circle
Ilkeston Community Hospital
Ilkeston Town Football Club
Ilkeston Rotary Club
Ilkeston League of Friends
Ilkeston Round Table

Ilkeston Forum – representing interests of whole of community
Ilkeston Over 50's Forum – representing interests of whole of community
Ilkeston Advertiser (local paper)
Ilkeston Charter Fair
Ilkeston Town twinned with Chalons-sur-Marne (France)
Ilkeston Probus (business ladies of Ilkeston)
(There are a number of different denominations, predominantly Christian in Churches and places of worship throughout Ilkeston which attract congregations from across the whole of the town).

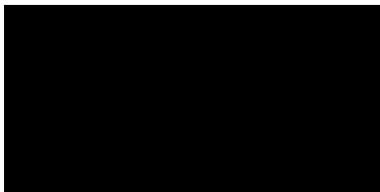
There is a case to amalgamate the three divisions into one so that Ilkeston is still represented by three County Councillors but representing the whole of the town and giving it one identity that of Ilkeston.

Despite much business and residential development in the town over the years, the town identity is prevalent when speaking to local people who give their living place as Ilkeston as a town and not particularly as Cotmanhay or Kirk Hallam.

The removal of the three division boundaries and creating one division would then allow whoever elected and from whichever political party to work together and represent the whole of the town and not just designated areas. Doing this would not affect the Borough boundaries in Ilkeston town and being approximately five miles from Long Eaton town centre in Erewash and Sandiacre town approximately 1.5 miles.

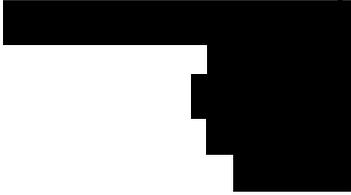
Currently there is a long running campaign to restore the Ilkeston Railway Station which is being considered by today's Government and supported politically by all groups.

Yours faithfully

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BRIAN LUCAS

Cllr. Mrs. P. J. Hemsley



3rd June 2012

Local Government Boundary Commission for England
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Derbyshire Electoral Review

I understand that you need to change boundaries for Derbyshire County Council but fail to see why that means you have to chop our village in half. In your proposals our parish would need to consult with 2 different county councillors for any issue we might have. The primary school, our village park which includes a war memorial and the post office would be situated in Clay Cross North, our Community Centre, Methodist Chapel and Doctors' Surgery would be situated in Sutton. This is NOT in the interest of OUR local community.

The proposed boundary line is not easily identifiable, crossing from one side of the main road to the other and following back gardens and then back out onto a street before yet again following back gardens in another direction, you are tasked with fixing boundaries which are easily identifiable and which do not break local ties, this proposal does not do that.

Over the past few years we have lost our local secondary school and were promised a new primary school, our community has lost this new resource through no fault of its own, now with the strike of a pen upon a map we are expected to accept being cut in half, this is NOT securing effective and convenient local government.

Grassmoor has its own identity and does not share any natural links with Clay Cross the residents would not recognise being linked to it as being normal.

This proposal is not acceptable and would ask for its rejection and other solutions be sought to this problem.

Yours sincerely

Pam Hemsley

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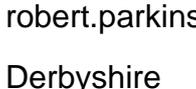
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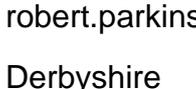
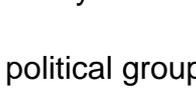
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Your feedback: Dear Sir

I am writing to support the LGBC and Derbyshire County Council proposals to change the boundaries of Buxton North and East Electoral Division.

I am the local County Councillor affected and feel that the changes proposed better reflect the linkages between local communities and will contribute to more effective local governance.

The local community links are already established within this community. Previously Buxton West wrapped around Buxton North and residents often contacted the wrong County Councillor as they did not appreciate which one represented

them. Quite simply I represented 3 villages and the next one to the right further from Buxton was represented by Buxton West, some 5 miles away from the heart of Buxton West.

Regards

Pam Reddy
Derbyshire County Councillor (Conservative)
Buxton North and East
Cabinet Support Member for Young People

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Cllr Brian Ridgway



4th June 2012

Submission from the Renishaw & Spinkhill Local District Councillor
on the proposed review of Boundary Review of Derbyshire County Council.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would submit that the proposals that seek to maintain electoral equality comes at the expence of our Community Identity. The place of Renishaw & Spinkhill within the Eckington Parish Boundaries has over the years become historical and practical for the peoples of these communities.

Over the last few years local community leaders have worked very hard to create greater community cohesion on a local basis.

I feel that the new County seat proposals which affect Renishaw, Spinkhill, Ridgeway and Marsh Lane, do not reflect the Community Identities and will not serve the best interests of those communities affected.

To propose a boundary that suggests that the people of Eckington identify more with Unstone, will fracture the central Community of Eckington, indeed Unstone cannot be reached by direct bus route.

Eckington Centre is the heart of these Communities which encompass the Parish, it contains diverse shops along with newsagents, post offices, library, community centre, and swimming pool. This proposal separates those facilities from the residential area of Eckington and splits the Community at its heart.

I believe that the proposals fail to see the link between the people and its essential core and attempts to move the Parish Boundary into an area with which the people of Eckington have no access or identity.

Too preserve the Identity of these unique and diverse settlements I would ask the Boundary Commission to give consideration for the proposal of a two

seat division encompassing Killamarsh and the whole of the Parish of Eckington. I recognize that the Commission looks to maintain electoral equality and would suggest that changes could be made along the Coal Aston area of the border. The Unstone Ward has NO links with the Eckington Communities and has no common interests of identity, indeed Unstone has identity links and natural transport and infrastructure that ties it in very closely with Dronfield.

The creation of a two seat division would preserve the Community status quo and would not only make for effective and convenient Local Governance but would enhance two Communities within Derbyshire who buffer the County with Yorkshire.

Councillor B.Ridgway

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Cllr Jacqueline Ridgway



4th June 2012

Submission from Eckington South District Councillor on the Proposals following the Boundary Review of Derbyshire County Council.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Having read the Commissions proposals regarding the above I feel that Eckington's identity will be under threat and lost forever with the proposed changes to the Eckington boundaries. Linking Eckington with Unstone.

would mean linking two Communities which at present have no link at all. They are some considerable distance apart without transport or business links, Unstone has definite transport and business links with Dronfield and their community identifies with Dronfield as their main centre.

The proposal to move the Eckington boundary including Renishaw into Killarmarsh also does not take into account that there are no community links between the two. To move half of Eckington town centre into the Killarmarsh area is bad enough, but to move Renishaw into Killarmarsh separating it from its natural community with all transport, shopping and business links would seem a very strange decision .

Eckington is a very diverse place with a vibrant infa structure which the community have worked hard with local community leaders to keep together, with the proposed changes this will shatter into small pieces and split a Community.

Councillor Jacqueline Ridgway

