

Teignbridge District

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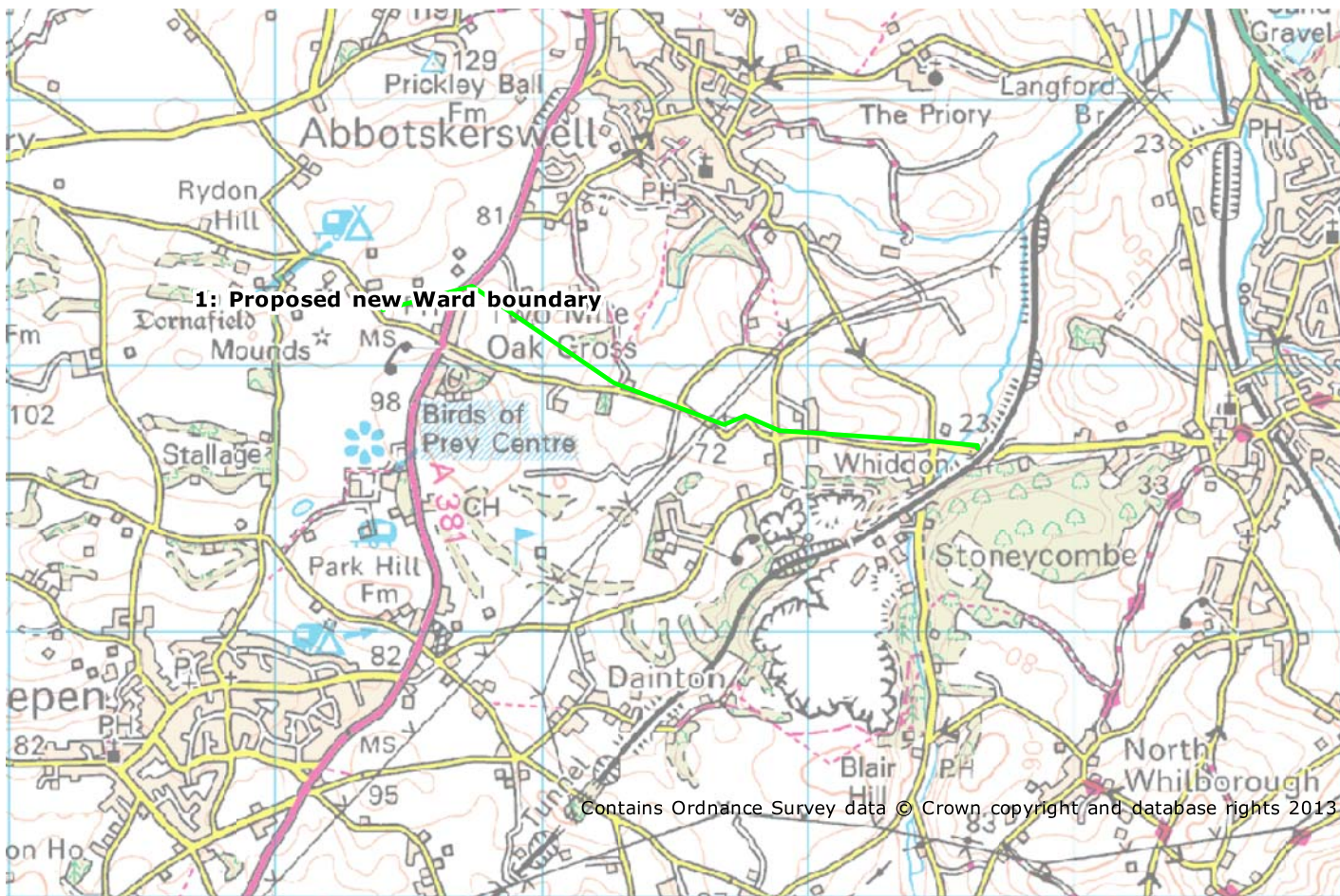
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Feature Annotations



Map Features:

Annotation 1: Proposed new Ward boundary

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As District Councillor for Ipplepen Ward since September 2010 and County Councillor for Teignbridge South since May 2013 and having lived virtually all my life in the immediate area I feel I am well qualified to comment on the proposed boundary changes. Ipplepen is a large village in the rural hinterland between Newton Abbot and Totnes and as such has become an economic and social centre for the surrounding area. The village has two public halls and a Community Hub and Library (the largest community Library in Devon), a pub, sorting post office, large and well used Co-operative store, a garage and successful convenience shop as well as a large out of town shopping and garden centre. The village boasts two industrial estates and numerous businesses, as well as major employers such as Southern Timber. As a consequence smaller communities look towards Ipplepen for their work and social life. The community has always been represented on the District Council by a single Ward Councillor. Ipplepen's population is 6% smaller than the norm per councillor across the Teignbridge District. This could easily be changed by adding in some of the smaller communities that currently are in Abbotskerswell Parish (Ambrook Ward) but who look towards Ipplepen for the above reasons. A simple re-Warding of Abbotskerswell Parish to add the communities of Two Mile Oak (54 electors/25 homes), Stoneyhill and Whiddon (88 electors/42 homes) and Maddacombe Terrace (8 electors/4 homes) would add 150 electors to the Ipplepen Ward making a total of 2,209 electors against the average of 2,181 per councillor – 1% over the average per councillor. This would have the additional benefit of removing voters from Ambrook which is 10% over size. Finally this would keep all the Ipplepen electors within the new County Council Division of Ipplepen and the Kerswells.

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