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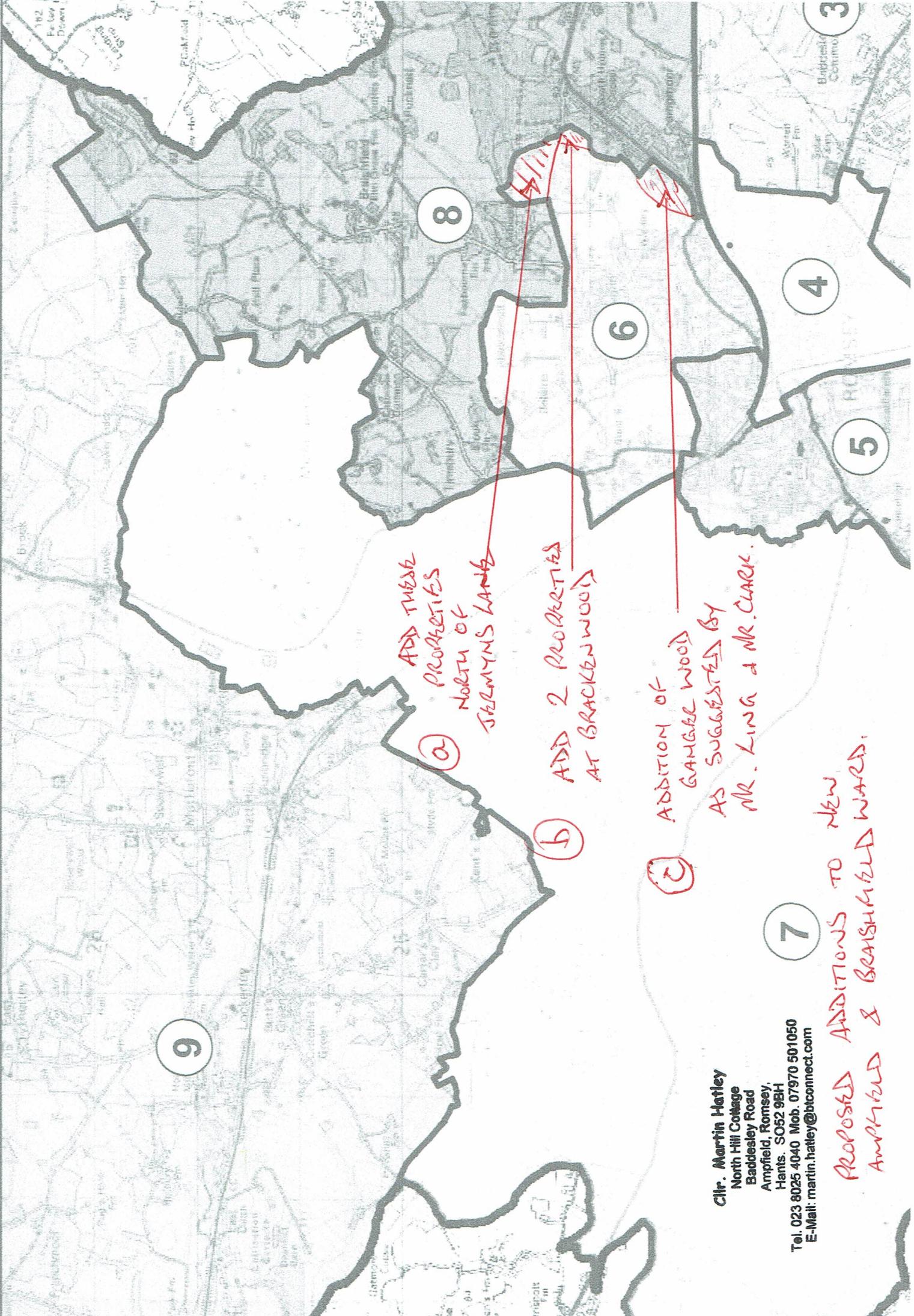
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**Comment text:**

The draft report at S4 stated the LGBC had received a submission from Ampfield Parish Council and that more detailed evidence was required in support of their request. I write as the current Borough Councillor for Ampfield and Braishfield, a position I have held for the last 22 years, and as an Ampfield Parish Councillor for over 30 years and a past Chairman of it. Until recently I was also the Deputy Leader of TVBC and the Planning Portfolio Holder. I was born and have lived in Ampfield all my life (63 years). I therefore believe that I am aware, more than most, as to the actual sense of belonging and loyalties residents have to any Parish or settlement. I support the majority of the proposals by TVBC with respect to the new Ampfield and Braishfield ward but am surprised and disappointed that they do not include 3 small additional areas which are very much part of Ampfield and Braishfield and are supported by the local parish council and residents. For ease I have shaded the areas on the attached map in red. Area (a) All properties to the north of Jermyns Lane, proposed to be excluded from Ampfield and Braishfield, should be included in the proposed Ampfield and Braishfield Ward. There is no logical reason or physical justification to have this small area part of the new Romsey Cupernham Ward. The residents consider themselves as being part of Ampfield and/or Braishfield and this is where their strong loyalties lie. Their addresses suggest this too. Area (b) The large double property of Brackenwood and its 'annexe' are situated to the east of the very large Hillier Nursery Greenhouses which is a very substantial buffer between Brackenwood and the other properties to the west of Brackenwood, on the sothern side of Jermyns Lane. The residents of Brackenwood, Mr. and Mrs. Grahamsley and Mr. Simon Watson feel very much part of the enclave and closely knit settlement of The Straight Mile. Indeed they used to live on the southern side prior to moving to Jermyns Lane. I spoke with them earlier today and they consider themselves as living in Ampfield and they would dearly like this feeling and sense of belonging to be officially recognised by including their properties in the new Ampfield and Braishfield Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Grahamsley were married in Ampfield Church and wish to be buried in the graveyard there. They do not have a right to do so at the moment but would if their residence was included in Ampfield, where they have a sense of belonging. The inclusion of their property within Ampfield and Braishfield is a prerequisite of their wish coming true. . Area (c) Ganger Wood - I have carefully read the comments by Mr. Ling and Mr. Clark regarding the inclusion of this perceived integral part of Ampfield within the new ward of Ampfield and Braishfield. I fully support and confirm their statements and request the addition of this area within the new Ampfield and Braishfield Ward. With all my personal local knowledge gained over more than 60 years, I have no hesitation whatsoever in attesting to the sensible and pragmatic logic of correcting some serious deficiencies in the proposed new boundaries. I therefore respectfully urge you to support the local parish council and residents in agreeing to these very minor but incredibly important amendments

**Uploaded Documents:**

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ADD THESE PROPERTIES NORTH OF STALMANS LANE

ADD 2 PROPERTIES AT BRACKENWOOD

ADDITION OF GANGE WOOD AS SUGGESTED BY MR. LING & MR. CLARK.

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PROPOSED ADDITIONS TO NEW AMPFIELD & BRAISHFIELD WARDS.