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Comment text:

In response to the draft recommendations on the new electoral arrangements for Test Valley Borough Council, Charlton Parish Council do not oppose the recommendation to amalgamate the ward Charlton with The Pentons. When considering the results of our Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire, 91% of residents who replied (605 responses) still identify the parish as a rural village and we strongly wish to continue working towards ensuring Charlton remains the rural village it is. The questionnaire also showed that over 84% of residents felt it was important to preserve the green gap. We believe the surrounding parishes should be working together and support one another in retaining the local gap. Although the ward changes do not affect how the parishes are run and is simply for electoral purposes, we do see this as an opportunity to build a partnership with the surrounding villages. We do not want to be added into Harroway Ward as we feel that although Andover is close to our doorstep we do not associate ourselves as part of urban Andover.

Uploaded Documents:

None Uploaded