

Review Officer (Test Valley)
Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor Millbank Tower
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LONDON
SW1P 4QP (By e-mail)

18th July 2017

Sir,

TEST VALLEY WARD BOUNDARY CHANGES

Further to my Parish Council's submission of 30th March 2017 submission, I take this opportunity of reminding you by way of a further formal submission of the views of Appleshaw, Fyfield, Kimpton, Shipton Bellinger and Thruxton parish councils.

1. All the parish councils named above are agreed that the new ward should be named Bellinger Ward. This name retains at least part of the identity by which we are currently known. The suggestion of "Grasslands" as a name has attracted no support in the villages concerned.
2. The other parishes may well make separate submissions based upon the points made in my letter of 30th March, in particular Penton Grafton and Penton Mewsey. This is for them to take forward as they will.
3. Thruxton Parish Council feels to remove from the existing parish that small part south of the A303 would jeopardise the Neighbourhood Development Plan with which Thruxton Farm as it is known has firmly identified. As there are only sixteen properties and thirty three electors it is felt that preserving the integrity of the parish outweighs any very minor electoral representation. Further it would negate several years of diligent effort to bring that small isolated community into the life of Thruxton. We urge you to reconsider this adjustment and retain the existing parish boundary.

Yours faithfully,

CWM Milner-Williams

Signed on e-mail

Chairman, Thruxton Parish Council

Copy (by e-mail) to: Parish Council Chairmen of Appleshaw, Fyfield, Kimpton, Penton Mewsey, Penton Grafton, Shipton Bellinger, Chief Exec TVBC, Borough Councillors for Penton Bellinger, Cllr Phil North, County Councillor Mrs Zilliah Brooks, and respective Parish Clerks.