

## North Norfolk District

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### Comment text:

The Boundary Commission's brief to carry out electoral reviews of local authorities is not a straight forward task and there will inevitably be areas where there is local discontent with decisions made from afar that alter the make up of an historically happy and contented group of villages. This appears to be the case in my present ward of Barton Turf, Irstead, Horning and Neatishead for which it is proposed to group Barton Turf and Horning with Ludham, and Neatishead with Hoveton. Neatishead, Irstead and Barton Turf, known locally as the NIB villages, have a strong connection, not only historically, but more recently by coming together as a robust community force, raising funds for and completing three important 'three village' projects. The astonishing result of their commitment to their local area not only resulted in the replacement and building of a prize winning eco-friendly village hall, but also a flourishing village shop, owned and run by the community, and the restoration of the last pub in that area which is owned locally and has become the focus of a thriving and happy community. It should also be mentioned that the ward villages coincide with the church benefice that encompasses the churches of Barton Turf, Irstead, Neatishead and Horning, and that their connection is consolidated by the sharing of their two parish magazines, the NIB and the Horning Reach.. For the sake of a few hundred people short in an endeavour to make up numbers, I would be unhappy to see a wedge being driven through the present make up of a ward that is a good, safe and settled community with a clear and strong rural identity. District Councillor Barbara McGoun St Benet Ward Barton Turf, Horning, Irstead, Neatishead

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