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**From:** Dixon Sheppard [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 14 May 2014 16:54  
**To:** Reviews@  
**Subject:** Wyre Forest District Council-Proposed Ward Changes

Dear Sir Or Madam

Here in Wyre Forest we are in the middle of local District Council elections. I have been a Councillor for the current Lickhill Ward for the last 8 years and represent Independent Community and Health Concern, both on the District and Stourport Town Councils. As a party, we have not had the opportunity of formerly putting our comments forward, due to the pending elections, but on speaking to colleagues and the constituents the following is evident:-

1) The current proposals are in sharp variance to the proposals submitted by Wyre Forest District Council and **are totally unacceptable.**

2) Wyre Forest consists of three towns ie Kidderminster, Stourport-on-Severn and Bewdley, plus surrounding rural areas. The revised wards **must be kept** within the **boundaries** of the three towns, even if this means 2 or even 1 member wards. The 3 towns have their own identities which should not be interfered with.

3) A very large part of my ward of Lickhill will under your proposals will not come under the umbrella of Stourport-on-Severn and instead lumped in with Wribbenhall, which is a part of Bewdley and Kidderminster Foreign. Wribbenhall does not relate to Stourport and visa versa.

4) Both Stourport-on-Severn and Bewdley have very active Town Councils. Kidderminster is also considering if it should also have a town council. It would be highly confusing for electors if they could not vote for District Councillors relating to their own town. In County Council Elections, Stourport-on-Severn currently elects 2 Councillors from within the town boundaries and Stourport Town Council has 18 members from within the town boundaries. It would be very difficult for electors in Lickhill not to relate to Stourport.

I hope on reflection you will agree that the existing Lickhill Ward should remain a total part of Stourport and Wribbenhall a part of Bewdley. These comments are sent to you as award member and an official document will follow from my party Independent Community and Health Concern. Please acknowledge this email. [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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Cllr Dixon Sheppard