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PENTON GRAFTON PARISH COUNCIL [REDACTED] 14th August 2017 TEST VALLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL PROPOSED BOUNDARY CHANGES. Penton Grafton parish Council support the submission of objection from Penton Mewsey Parish Council. Penton Grafton Parish Council wish to register our objections: 1. Charlton Village is technically not a village but urban sprawl from Andover as historically it was part of the Harrowway Ward which has had three Borough Councillors plus one Hampshire County Councillor. After the last Boundary review and the building of Saxon Fields which were incorporated into Harrowway Ward, Charlton was a one-member ward. With the urbanization of Charlton, the strategic gap has now been built on and now merges Charlton with Saxon Fields so they are now more urban than the Parishes of the two Pentons, also there are three Test Valley Borough Councillors. 2. Penton Grafton and Penton Mewsey have no affinity to Charlton and if to be merged, it should be with the villages nearer such as the triangle of Appleshaw, Kimpton, Fyfield and Shipton Bellinger. 3. This application submitted by Test Valley Borough Council proposes that the Penton Bellinger Ward be reduced to one Test Valley Borough Councillor. By adding Charlton, the additional area really is not appropriate and the residents will not be well serviced as Harrowway Ward has three test Valley Borough Councillors. 4. There is a need for more rural housing and the villages are working with Social housing providers. 5. This proposal by Test Valley Borough Council is misguided and clearly made without due consideration of the two true rural villages. The joining of Charlton which is technically urban sprawl will not serve our residents well. Hence our strong recommendation that this be reconsidered and not agreed to suit the political aspect. Richard Waterman

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