Dear Sirs,

**Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBC)**

**Electoral Review of West Berkshire**

Woolhampton Parish Council is pleased to respond to your consultation entitled ‘Electoral Review of West Berkshire’.

The Parish Council considered the documents supplied in respect of this consultation at its meeting held on 17 October 2017 and makes the following response. Please note that the Council has decided to respond solely into proposals, relating to the proposed Aldermaston & Bucklebury Ward, West Berkshire District Council.

After careful consideration and analysis of the draft recommendation, Woolhampton Parish Council wishes to support an alternative proposal as made by West Berkshire District Councillor Mr Dominic Boeck, the current Aldermaston Ward Member.

Woolhampton Parish Council supports that the proposed LGBCE Aldermaston & Bucklebury ward should, with the addition of Sulhamstead South from the Burghfield & Mortimer ward; be divided into three separate single member wards as follows:

1. **New Bucklebury Ward** (projected electorate 3101)
   
   Frilsham, Stanford Dingley, Bucklebury 1&2, Woolhampton and Midgham.

2. **New Sulhamstead Ward** (projected electorate 2977)
   
   Bradfield 1&2, Englefield, Sulhamstead 1&2, and Upton Nervet.

3. **New Aldermaston Ward** (projected electorate 2952)
   
   Brimpton, Wasing, Aldermaston 1&2, Padworth and Beenham.
The Parish Council considers that the above proposal will provide for a more appropriate level of Member representation and therefore, subsequent Member accountability.

The suggested new ward names are those of the largest Parish in each of the proposed grouping.

The figures provided in respect of the projected electorate are based on the Electoral Data published by WBDC. The removal of Sulhamstead South from Burghfield & Mortimer will result in a projected electorate of 8477 or 2826 per Councillor for that ward.

Yours faithfully