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Hi,

One for you guys.

Regards.

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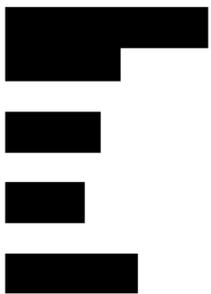
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## West End Action Group



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Draft recommendations on new electoral arrangements for Surrey Heath

I am writing urgently on behalf of the West End Action Group, a group formally registered by Surrey Heath Borough Council as a local amenity group, with a significant proportion of West End residents in membership.

Our group objects in the strongest terms to the proposal by Surrey Heath Borough Council (SHBC) to transfer a number of roads in West End ward to the Chobham ward.

We are aware that your deadline for comments was 20 March, but SHBC did not inform West End Parish Council of their recommendations until 20 March, leaving no time for the Parish Council or groups such as ours to respond by the deadline. We therefore hope the Commission will take our comments into account.

We support the Commission's proposal to join Bisley ward and West End ward, with 3 Councillors. There is a great affinity between these two villages. They are close neighbours, with only a field separating the settlement areas. They both lie along the busy A322 and share the same concerns about traffic. Although each village has its own church, they share one Rector, one Parochial Church Council, and one Parish Magazine, which underlines the cultural ties between the two villages. There are voluntary organisations which are shared, such as WEBcare ('West End and Bisley care') which focuses on transport of residents who need help in visiting doctors, hospitals, health centres, shopping and so forth.

However we strongly object to SHBC's recommendation to allocate a number of roads in West End to the Chobham ward (other than Blackstroud Lane West and Sundew Close which can naturally fall into Lightwater ward).

The main settlement area of Chobham is geographically separated from West End by about two miles of open countryside. Chobham and West End are very different communities.

West End is a compact self-contained village, with a marked community spirit, as shown by the large number of village-oriented clubs, voluntary organisations and other bodies – culminating in being awarded Community Village of the Year recently.

School children living in the roads proposed by SHBC for transfer to Chobham ward – and particularly Bagshot Road (western end), Beldam Bridge Road, Coldharbour Lane, Hookstone Lane, Kings Road, Oldhouse Lane and Rose Meadow – will all be attending Holy Trinity Primary School in West End or (where places are available) Gordon's Secondary School in West End. This illustrates the very strong orientation of these roads to West End and not Chobham.

The geographical and cultural identity of these roads is very much that of West End.

We therefore urge the Boundary Commission to reject the SHBC proposal to place these roads into Chobham ward.

We have seen the West End Parish Council submission to you dated 22 March, and we are in full agreement with it.

Yours sincerely

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Chair, West End Action Group