

Teignbridge District

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Comment text:

Please accept these comments on behalf of Tedburn St Mary Parish Council At the recent meeting of Tedburn St Mary Parish Council it was unanimously resolved to comment that we do not wish any ward changes to go ahead and that we wish to stay with one district councillor for Holcombe Burnell, Whitestone and Tedburn St Mary. All three parishes have a rural outlook and share many links. The official comments we would like recorded are: The proposed change by the Boundary Commission is to put Tedburn in the same ward with Moretonhampstead with two district councillors. Therefore Tedburn would no longer share a district with Whitestone and Holcombe Burnell because they will be going into different wards. The Parish Council do not wish for the change to go ahead and that we are happy with the way the ward currently is. There appears to be no valid justification from Teignbridge for changing boundaries, in this particular way. We would want to stay together with our current three wards with one district councillor for the three wards as per the current arrangement. Reasons to stay as we are include;

- The Clerk works for two parishes in the current district, Holcombe Burnell and Tedburn
- The catchment area for Tedburn School is shared between Whitestone and Tedburn.
- Two parishes feed into the same secondary school as above
- There is a clear bus link and car commuter route between Whitestone and Tedburn.
- Whitestone and Tedburn belong to the same Church diocese.
- It was felt that Tedburn would feel marginalised being in with Moretonhampstead given that is a lot larger parish and they have entirely separate links with schools and churches.
- The Fingle Glen site is currently split across the two parishes (Tedburn and Whitestone). If the proposed district changes were to take place it would mean splitting this one site into two different Districts as well as Parishes.
- Pathfinder Village part of Tedburn Parish share the same GP surgery as Whitestone (Exeter based)
- Tedburn share the same GP surgery as Holcombe Burnell (Cheriton Bishop/Christow) Given that even Teignbridge District Council itself has voted to keep the wards the same we hope sense will prevail and the requests will be followed.

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