Review Officer (West Berkshire)
Local Government Boundary Commission for England
14th Floor
Millbank Tower
Millbank
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SW1P 4QP

10th November 2017

Dear Sirs

Boundary Review – West Berkshire

Thatcham Town Council would like to submit the following comments in response to the Local Government Boundary Commission for England’s (LGBC) recommendations for Warding arrangements in West Berkshire:

1) Thatcham Town Council feels strongly that the LGBC’s recommended one, large, three Member ward of Thatcham Central & Crookham would be better served as a two Member ward “Thatcham Central” (electorate 5453 (-10%)) and a one Member ward “Thatcham Colthrop and Crookham” (electorate 2768 (-9%)), as this would provide better representation as the majority of the residents are in the existing town centre. See appendix 1.

2) Thatcham Town Council feels very strongly that district boundaries should mirror town boundaries (for clarity for residents) and therefore requests that Florence Gardens and the Little Copse area [both currently within Cold Ash parish] remain outside of the Thatcham district boundary, as currently.

3) Thatcham Town Council requests that Wards be renamed as follows:

   Thatcham Central & Crookham be renamed Thatcham Kennet (2 Member ward) and Thatcham Colthrop & Crookham (1 Member Ward)
   Thatcham North East be renamed Thatcham Dunston
   Thatcham West be renamed Thatcham Henwick

Thatcham Town Council hopes these comments will be taken into consideration when the LGBC makes its final decision.

Yours sincerely

[Redacted]

Mel Alexander (Ms.)
Town Clerk
### Thatcham Central

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