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I broadly support the commissions proposals, but I think there needs to be amendments in a few areas.

Meopham parish ought to be in its own ward. Either as a 3 seat Meopham ward or a 4 seat Meopham and Vigo ward. The current boundary is too confusing, and the proposed boundary is even more confusing, especially on Wrotham Road.

I have lived in Gravesham almost all of my life. No one has ever referred to Istead Rise as Cobham or Luddesdown. Cobham and Luddesdown are parished when Istead Rise has always been Northfleet. If you do not leave Istead Rise alone then it should be made an exceptional circumstance and be put in a 4 seat Painters Ash and Istead Rise ward, they have a shared history and the land between the Istead Rise estate and Painters Ash is not greenbelt land so is likely to be built upon linking the two communities further.

Cobham and Luddesdown therefore should be in a three seat Higham, Shorne, Cobham, and Luddesdown ward for electoral equality.

Westcourt and Chalk should be renamed as Chalk to convey the shared history and community. It should gain: St Hilda's Way, St Dunstan's Drive, Valley Drive, and St Patrick's Gardens from Riverview and it should gain Valley Drive, St Hilda's Way, St George's Crescent and St David's Crescent from Singlewell. These roads are in the Westcourt community as they were built after the war and named after Saints, which is typical of roads in Westcourt.

Riverview Park should gain The Rise, The Warren, and The Drive from Singlewell. The people there identify as living in Riverview Park and that is how everyone recognises them.

Singlewell should gain Hever Court Road, Sandown Road, Goodwood Crescent, Cheltenham Close, Westfield Close, Ifield School, Kings Farm School, Hawthorne Close, Nursery Mews, Maple Road, Ash Road, Poplar Avenue, and Cedar Avenue from Woodlands and Kings Farm. These areas are part of the Singlewell and Christian Fields communities which make up the ward. The single well after which Singlewell is named is located in Hever Court Road but in Woodlands, the single well should be in Singlewell as should all of Hever Court Road.

Whitehill and Windmill Hill should gain Gloucester Road, Princes Road, York Road, Kitchener Avenue, Queen's Road, Jellicoe Avenue from Woodlands and Kings Farm. Whitehill and Windmill Hill should gain Whitehill Lane from Singlewell. Whitehill and Windmill Hill should gain Bronte View and Old Gravesendians Rugby Club from Town as it is currently detached by road from the rest of Town ward. This would unite the Kings Farm community in Whitehill and Woodlands, and put the people who live on the whitehill in Whitehill.

Town should gain William Street, Wellington Street, Homemeade Close, Homemeade Court, Gravesham Court, and part of Parrock Street from Whitehill and Windmill Hill. Town should gain the A226 one way system from Pelham. They live and shop in town and should be in Town as should the civic centre and railway station.

Woodlands should gain the south side of Old Road West from Pelham. Woodlands should gain Gravesend Cemetery, Farmcroft, Dashwood Road, The Downage, Barnfield from Coldharbour. They border Woodlands Park so are more central to Woodlands than most of the proposed ward.

Perry Street should be a new 3 seat ward comprising of the proposed Coldharbour ward (minus the above) with the BF polling district as that is detached from Rosherville because of the rail lines. The greater Perry Street area is a local area that needs its own ward.

Rosherville should be a new 2 seat ward comprising of the proposed Northfleet East and Rosherville ward but without the BF polling district.

Northfleet West and Springhead should be renamed to Northfleet, Springhead, and Wombwell.