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Submission to the Local Government Boundaries Commission from Slough Liberal Democrats We have reviewed the proposal for revised ward boundaries in Slough and while we are broadly in agreement with them, but have a number of comments to make about what we feel are potential improvements: 1. The new Chalvey Grove ward largely covers an area that most of its residents do not consider as Chalvey. A possible alternative name tied to the local heritage of the area that we feel would be preferable is Cippenham Manor. 2. For the new Haymill ward, we feel that if possible, Littlebrook Avenue should be included in the ward. This road is entirely separated by a nature reserve from the remainder of the Northborough and Lynch Hill Valley ward that it has been located in and residents there do not identify as being part of the remainder of the ward's area. 3. It is unclear why Clifton Road is included in the new Langley St Mary's ward, as it is the only part of the ward on that side of the A4 and would seem better placed in Upton ward. 4. The intersection of the new Langley Marish and Langley Foxborough wards on Randall Close appears quite convoluted on the map, due to the fact that this cul-de-sac is only accessible by entering a different ward. 5. Extending Colnbrook & Poyle into a small area north of the M4 is distinctly sub-optimal, although we can understand how this might be required to keep numbers within range. If this boundary is used, careful thought will need to be given to the quantity / location of polling stations in the ward (which we understand is dealt with as a separate exercise after boundaries are finalised). 6. While we are well aware that it is far outside the remit of this review and not permissible under current UK local election rules, we feel that electing all members of multi-member constituencies on the same day, but not using some form of PR system for doing so seems a missed opportunity – we are hopefully that at some point in the future a system that better works with our current electoral landscape might be implemented.

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