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Please could consideration be given to amending the boundary between Maidstone Borough Council and Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council in the ward of 'Aylesford South'. The current boundary does not seem appropriate - as the district boundary currently cuts through the town of Maidstone. (The map above is out-of-date - new houses and roads have been built that are not shown on this map). Residents who live near Barming train station and to the north of Beaver Road will say they live in Maidstone. In the eyes of local residents of the town, it appears incredulous that the district boundary divides next door neighbours - rather than using a more natural boundary of either a main road - or having the boundary through a non-built up area. I appreciate the boundary made sense in the past, but it no longer is appropriate as Maidstone has expanded. The potential negative consequence of retaining the boundary as it currently stands is that Tonbridge & Malling can focus their house building on the fringes of the town of Maidstone - yet do not need to invest in the infrastructure to ensure that those new residents can commute into the town centre, or have adequate GP provision, and community facilities etc - rather Maidstone BC will be left with the responsibility. The suggestion that I would like to propose is as follows: Please amend the boundary of the 'Aylesford South' ward so the boundary is fully aligned to Hermitage Lane - with the land to the east being viewed as Maidstone, and the land to the west, being viewed as Tonbridge and Malling. Likewise, at Junction 5 of the M20, land to the east and south would fall to Maidstone BC, and land to the west and north to Tonbridge & Malling BC. I attach a diagram showing the proposal. The ward of Allington or Barming at Maidstone BC could then be expanded to incorporate the new housing. Thank you for considering this. Residents of the town of Maidstone view

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