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I have read with interest the Boundary Commission proposals for Bolton and would like to make known my objection to the suggestions that have been put forward for the Astley Bridge ward, where I reside. Astley Bridge has a strong community identity, and this can be visibly seen within the ward with artwork displays, flower troughs and the pride residents have in the area. The area of course has existed for centuries, and pre-dates the creation of Bolton Council. In the last few decades, residents have organised into formal community groups such as the Friends of Astley Bridge and this has only strengthened the connection that residents have to the area. We proudly organise events to commemorate Remembrance Day and hold a large Christmas lights switch on at Andrew Lane park each year. Andrew Lane park would of course be removed from the Astley Bridge ward under the current proposals. The proposals in addition to splitting up an existing community would also place the residents living just off Belmont Road on Templecombe Drive and Whitehill Lane into a new ward with which they have no natural connection. In addition to having no direct access to the new ward, residents in these areas work, shop and use community facilities in the current ward of Astley Bridge. Blackburn Road forms the natural centre with a range of small independent shops and the large Asda store being the main shops used by residents. I hope that you can see the strong local identity we share in Astley Bridge and that these proposals can be reconsidered so that we as a community are not divided.

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