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Dear Sir/Madam

I have recently found out that the original revised Electoral boundary changes re the above ward have been amended. I have therefore made it my business to look at the new proposal, which are apparently referred to as the draft 2 proposals.

My view on the original proposal was one of acceptance.

However, having looked closely at the 2nd draft proposal, I feel I need to object to the proposal for the reasons detailed below.

The draft 2 proposal appears to include two fundamental changes to the Southern Parishes ward, of which I am a constituent. These are:

- 1 The exclusion of the area known as Ingleby Manor, including Little Maltby Farm.
- 2 The inclusion of the area immediately to the south of Green Lane adjacent to Yarm Station.

The developments south of Green Lane would surely more naturally be an extension of a Yarm ward rather than the Southern Parishes. The properties are marketed as being in Yarm. They are, as previously mentioned adjacent to Yarm Railway station. The residents use the local amenities - retail, social, transport etc which are within Yarm, and I am sure will consider themselves as being residents of Yarm.

It is my opinion that these developments should not be included within the Southern Parishes ward.

Conversely, the area known as Ingleby Manor has a direct attachment to Maltby Village, through both Little Maltby Farm and the adjacent Maltby Cricket ground. In addition I would suggest that the residents of this area will utilise the local amenities of the local Cooperative store and the hospitality of public houses in Maltby and Hilton.

In my opinion this area should be included in the Southern Parishes ward, as was previously the case.

In addition to the above, it is my view that the changes to the latest proposal that I have suggested, will result in a more balanced distribution of constituents within the ward, which although not an imperative, should be desirable for what is a predominantly rural ward.

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