

## North Northamptonshire Council

### Personal Details:

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### Comment text:

I believe that the town of Oundle would be best served by being in a single-member ward of its own. Oundle is distinct from the surrounding villages and the issues we face in the town are different to those felt by village residents. A ward containing only the town would enhance local representation as there would be a councillor solely focussed on Oundle. Since the local government reorganisation in 2021, Oundle has been part of a very large ward represented by three councillors. Prior to the February 2022 by-election, when all three councillors were from the Conservative Party, there was an informal arrangement whereby one councillor would take the casework from the town and the other two would deal with village casework. This demonstrates the challenges that councillors felt with the unworkable nature of the ward and justifies the view that this division of responsibility should be formalised. Whilst Oundle would be a little over the elector to councillor ratio for this review, it is within the 10% tolerance and this is justified given the local situation.

### Uploaded Documents:

None Uploaded