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Related subject: Warndon and Gorse Hill joined ward

The local library, sited on Carnforth Drive (which actually turns into Fairfield Close at its far end) is the heart of the neighbourhood. Its proper name is the "Fairfield Centre", although it is better known to many local people as the "Warndon Library". Nevertheless, moving residents of Fairfield and Fairmount to the opposite side of a ward boundary from the Fairfield Centre will be very confusing. They would also be moving away from one of the two polling stations currently in Warndon, which would also be confusing and irritating if their new polling station was deep within Rainbow Hill.

Therefore, I hope the Commission will consider overturning this part of its proposal, and will instead keep Fairfield Close, Fairfield Road and Fairmount Close inside of Warndon.

I agree with the Commission's proposal to move the whole of Brickfields Road into Rainbow Hill, as it makes little sense for so few houses to belong to one ward when the vast majority belong to its immediate neighbour.

On a similar note, I would like to raise my concerns about Troutbeck Drive and Eskdale Close, which face being marooned on the wrong side of a boundary. Troutbeck Drive and Tunnel Hill have relatively few houses, and most of these already belong to Rainbow Hill. Furthermore, most local residents look towards Tolladine, the Tolly Centre and Rainbow Hill as the heart of their community - rather than Warndon.

Gorse Hill serves as a natural boundary between Warndon and Rainbow Hill, rather than being a unifying point, it is simply an empty piece of

ground between one neighbourhood and another. Surprisingly few locals actually know where Gorse Hill is, and the inclusion of Troutbeck Drive and Eskdale Close in the Commission's proposal for Warndon strikes me as a needless part of the merger between Warndon and the old Gorse Hill ward.

Attached Documents:

None attached