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I am an Independent member of Cotswold District Council and wish to comment on the proposals for the Cotswold District.

As a local District Councillor, I believe the existing Tetbury division, centred on the town of the same name and the surrounding parishes, is generally a good reflection of community identity. If there are to be changes to the division I would be in favour of removing the parish of Sapperton (which is located between Cirencester and Stroud and has no direct communication links with Tetbury or the A433) to the Cirencester Beeches division. This would help to unite all of Ermin ward in the same division, and better reflect community identity. Sapperton and Frampton Mansell are separated from the rest of the Tetbury division by clear geographic boundaries including the A419 road, the Golden Valley railway line and the Thames and Severn canal.

If the Cotswold District is to continue to be represented by eight county councillors I have attached a scheme which reflects community identity across the Cotswold District and meets the Commission's other criteria. In particular, this scheme improves coterminosity between District and County wards/divisions with only 3 of the 32 current wards split between divisions. Only 21 of the 135 polling districts in the District would change divisions in this scheme, providing minimum disruption and more continuity to residents, Parish Councils and other stakeholders.

I have proposed eight divisions based on the current polling districts, centred on the main towns of the Cotswold District. I have generally used the name of the largest town in the division as the proposed division name. The exception is the redrawn South Cerney division, where I believe a better name would be 'Cerney and Thames' which reflects the names of the River Churn and the source of the Thames near Cotswold Water

Park. I have also adopted the convention of using the less formal name of each town (Moreton rather than Moreton-in-Marsh, etc) as is currently the case at District level.

Cirencester South ED
Cirencester North ED
Stow and Moreton West ED
Fairford and Lechlade ED
Cerne and Thames ED
Bourton and Northleach ED
Tetbury ED
Campden and Moreton East ED

It is unfortunate that the town of Moreton in Marsh must be separated in this scheme. However, I would draw the Commission's attention to the fact that the town is already divided (using a clear geographic boundary, the Cotswold railway line) at ward level. My proposal avoids the need for a Campden-Vale ward that has a most unusual shape which is unavoidable if a redraw Campden Vale continues to bypass Moreton to include more rural parishes around Bourton and Stow, none of which have much in common with Blockley, Chipping Campden and the other settlements in the far north of the District.

Attached Documents:

- PROPOSED COTSWOLD DIVISIONS.xlsx

Existing Division	Proposed Division	Electorate 2022	Electorate 2029
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	650	754
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	97	120
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	204	218
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	2431	2688
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	611	696
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	115	139
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	96	101
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	428	481
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	172	182
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	78	76
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	182	207
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	146	163
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	76	82
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	1450	1597
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	255	299
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	99	131
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	598	624
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	107	138
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	43	42
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	143	177
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	62	50
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	271	306
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	292	324
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	51	53
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	88	100
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	398	479
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	403	450
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	951	1062
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	262	302
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	514	578
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	46	64
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	1961	2265
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	1741	1916
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	74	98
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	343	365
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	827	912
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Campden-Vale ED	2263	2631
Campden-Vale ED	Campden-Vale ED	211	244
Cirencester Park ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	1042	1132
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	820	911
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	189	215
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	48	53
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Cirencester Beeches ED	163	195
Bourton-on-the-Water and Northleach EC	Cirencester Beeches ED	80	127
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	99	114
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	207	234
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	208	228
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	191	225
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	49	46
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	89	109
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	182	200
Tetbury ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	133	169
Tetbury ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	207	230
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	25	26
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	187	209
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	2057	2333
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Beeches ED	2177	2389
Cirencester Park ED	Cirencester Park ED	1781	2010
Cirencester Park ED	Cirencester Park ED	1527	2425
Cirencester Beeches ED	Cirencester Park ED	1826	2019
Cirencester Park ED	Cirencester Park ED	1786	1930
Cirencester Park ED	Cirencester Park ED	1993	2231
South Cerney ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	481	511
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	197	201
South Cerney ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	156	155
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	245	264
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	130	139
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	445	506
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	217	254
South Cerney ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	57	63
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	1956	2054

Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	1209	1341	
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	874	794	
Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	Fairford and Lechlade on Thames ED	2521	2780	
Cirencester Beeches ED	South Cerney ED	206	228	
Cirencester Beeches ED	South Cerney ED	241	280	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	906	1048	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	140	155	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	425	500	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	237	614	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	1070	1355	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	878	1162	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	2105	2312	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	486	553	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	87	95	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	59	51	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	93	99	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	464	630	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	129	143	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	453	495	
South Cerney ED	South Cerney ED	335	403	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	53	57	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	243	262	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	170	190	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	271	309	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	308	349	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	134	136	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	86	61	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	364	392	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	280	296	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	112	136	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	80	114	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	119	122	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	86	91	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	401	441	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	313	351	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	62	82	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	166	174	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	91	104	
Campden-Vale ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	239	251	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	1573	2080	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	121	147	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	1570	1531	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	325	375	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	289	317	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	189	234	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	1402	1622	
Stow-on-the-Wold ED	Stow-on-the-Wold ED	85	98	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	839	963	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	104	114	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	205	233	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	89	76	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	329	374	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	211	227	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	33	38	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	151	160	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	355	396	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	290	333	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	90	86	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	151	169	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	220	257	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	1546	1775	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	1943	2155	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	1489	1646	
Tetbury ED	Tetbury ED	225	233	