

Tandridge

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I would like to express my objection the the proposed change for the following reasons:

1. Currently the wards of Tatsfield and Limpsfield have very different needs. In Tatsfield we have challenges being so close to Bromley and Kent borough/county boundaries and have unique issues. We have interactions with Tfl, ULez considerations and Biggin Hill Airport, and many residents rely on Bromley and Kent services for GP, dental and school places. A Councillor from Limpsfield ward could be as far away as Crowhurst which is 25-30 mins clear drive, hardly our local councillor!

The councillors in Limpsfield are heavily dominated by the independent OLRG group, who have just one policy and that is to halt ANY development, at ANY scale, in the name of the Green Belt. All well and good but there are many more issues affecting the community. With a lack of national leadership and guidance many decisions aren't fully considered.

3. A 3 party ward would result in an unfair imbalance of votes as Limpsfield ward has double the residents of Tatsfield ward, therefore results would be improperly skewed to Limpsfield candidates.

I haven't mentioned Titsey as there are just a handful of residents. It's needs are probably closer aligned with Limpsfield than Tatsfield. Our councillor currently covers both but perhaps it would be sensible to join Limpsfield and Titsey and keep Tatsfield a single member ward given its 'special circumstances'. I'm not sure why Woldingham would be classed as a special circumstance over Tatsfield. Having lived in both wards I would say Woldingham has many more similarities to Limpsfield than Tatsfield (as many residents of Limpsfield and they probably can't even tell

you where Tatsfield is, but all could name Woldingham!). If I were being cynical I would say that the special circumstances may just have come about from special characters, with deep pockets??

I hope for the reasons above you will reconsider the recommendation from Tandridge which has most probably been made by an officer who has never ventured up the hill to Tatsfield - "The London Alps"!

Kind regards

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None attached