

Calderdale

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Historically the township of Todmorden had more extensive boundaries than now.

The current boundaries between Todmorden and Calder wards do not make sense. Calder ward encroaches into Todmorden centre and aligns people there with Hebden Bridge which is 4 miles away.

Todmorden Ward currently excludes part of Hall Royd Road and the flats and houses there below the railway bridge, the Health Centre, Lidl, all the area around Der St, Kilnhurst, Castle Hill, the Poets Estate and so on towards Eastwood. The people who live and shop in these areas definitely see themselves as Todmordians. People sometimes express resentment eg on social media, on being forced to vote for Hebden councillors. Ward councillors from Hebden have little to do with Todmorden Town and it results in some residents feeling unrepresented.

The above areas clearly ought to be regarded as part of Todmorden ward.

Additionally it's hard to understand why the number of councillors needs to increase unless the boundary commission is adding an additional ward to Calderdale.

Attached Documents:

None attached