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Related subject: Bingley area

I would ask that you seriously consider some of the following points when making any boundary changes:

- 1 Bingley is just a source of revenue for Bradford Council. It would be interesting to compare the revenue collected to the revenue spent in Bingley. In a recent article by the local paper about forthcoming rises in parking charges, 2 of the car parks were in Bradford, 6 were in Bingley, 2 in Haworth and 1 in Saltaire.
2. It is perhaps a coincidence, but in the breaking news today about schools not able to re-open next week because of structural concerns about sub-standard concrete, two of the schools named so far are in the Bingley area, which of course come under the Bradford Council area. Is this another case of cost-cutting?
3. Bradford Council let the local swimming pool fall into such disrepair that it now needs millions of pounds to put right. The original plan was to close 4 smaller pools in order to open a 'super-pool'. Guess where? Bradford.
4. Bradford Council closed the only public toilets in the town, and the once-impressive Town Hall in Bingley looks to be going the same way as the pool.
5. It is noted that a 'Levelling up' bid made by Bradford Council has failed. The local MP was told by ministers that "government believed the case for regeneration in Bingley was strong, but that the bid submitted needed improvements".
6. The overall feeling locally is that Bingley is a forgotten outpost, only useful for collecting revenue to fund Bradford. Perhaps that strength of feeling could be measured by having a referendum?

Attached Documents:

None attached