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Related subject: Lanchester (Maiden Law)

The general idea to reduce councillor numbers and even out the numbers they represent would seem to make sense. However, the aims mentioned in your proposals also note that reorganisation should take into account how communities interact. Maiden Law is proposed to move from the Lanchester ward to North Consett. Historically and geographically there are no links with this area. For example, shopping is done either in Annfield Plain or Lanchester, the local secondary school is in Lanchester or Stanley, doctors surgeries are in Annfield Plain, Lanchester or Stanley, even the closest restaurants/pubs etc are in Lanchester. Maiden Law is classed as a small hamlet and housing runs north south along the A6076 between Annfield Plain and Lanchester. There is no community link with Consett or Leadgate. Given the numbers involved, consideration should be given to retaining Maiden Law within the Lanchester ward to maintain the historical ties.

Attached Documents:

None attached