

# Surrey

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** The Dittons (Thames Ditton and Long Ditton)

I object in the strongest possible terms to the proposal to separate the Dittons for future electoral purposes.

The existing combination of Thames Ditton and Long Ditton has functioned very well for very many years and there is absolutely no logical reason to split the two areas.

I have lived in Long Ditton for nearly 50 years. I have also had personal experience of the functioning of the existing electoral system, having worked with the relevant SCC Councillor for 15 of the last 25 years (from 1998 to 2008 as Vice-Chairman of the Long Ditton Resident's Association and from 2018 as Chairman of the St Mary's Road Residents' Association).

The close association of the two Dittons goes back to the Middle Ages and the two areas have a natural affinity.

I have been unable to find a single benefit for changing the existing arrangement.

It does feel like change for the sake of change!!!

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*