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Hello

I strongly object to the proposed boundary changes affecting the Dittons Division in Surrey.

The proposed splitting of the division with the two halves falling into different new divisions defies logic and is unacceptable to the constituents in the current division.

Firstly, it reduces electoral equality in this area. The current division is very close to the Surrey average while one of the new divisions is some way below that average.

Secondly, it works against community identity and Interests. There has been for a long time close integration between the communities in Thames Ditton and Long Ditton as evidenced by shared use of the pubs in both (Angel, Limping Fox, George and Dragon et al), shared efforts around the Village Green proposal for the green space in Long Ditton, the common support for events on Giggs Hill Green and so on. The Hampton Court Way makes a strong barrier between the Dittons and Molesey. My personal experience of organising and marketing art events in the area, suggests very little interaction between these communities. The Dittons are far more connected. Putting half of Thames Ditton in with Molesey makes no sense.

Similarly, the connections between Thames Ditton and Weston Green are well established as shown be the shared Thames Ditton and Weston

Green Residents Association. It's proximity to the Thames Ditton station also pulls Weston Green into the community. Splitting these two apart is quite destructive.

In conclusion, it is impossible to see how this change provides any benefit at all. It seems likely to destroy well-established, constructive communities for no good reason - just for the sake of making a change.

Please withdraw this proposal.

Thank you

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Attached Documents:

None attached