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Related subject: Warndon Parish county division

Please see the attached file, which comprises the submission fromwarndon Parish Council.

Attached Documents:

- WPC County division submission.pdf

Worcestershire County Council Boundary Review

Submission by Warndon Parish Council - September 2023

Introduction:

Warndon Parish Council is seeking to move to clearer and more consistent naming arrangements across the county division, and city and parish wards in the parish area.

As a step in that direction, the recent LGBCE review has accepted WPC's proposals and concluded that city and parish ward names for "Warndon Parish North" and "Warndon Parish South" will be changed as set out below:

Current City/Parish Ward name	New City ward name	New Parish ward name
Warndon Parish North	St Nicholas	Warndon Villages North
Warndon Parish South	Leopard Hill	Warndon Villages South

The key reasons behind these changes are:

- Inconsistencies between the city and parish ward boundaries for "Warndon Parish South" - which have caused confusion for electors/residents regarding whether they live in the parish or not.
- The name "Warndon Parish" has also caused confusion with the neighbouring ward of "Warndon". The new name "Warndon Villages" has been in common use throughout the area - and the city - since the 1990s.

The names "St Nicholas" and "Leopard Hill" reflect key features in the two areas concerned, and would help to avoid the current confusion.

[With respect to the term "Warndon Villages", WPC is also considering changing the name of the parish to "Warndon Villages". We are awaiting the outcome of the boundary reviews before taking the matter any further.]

Worcestershire County Council division - currently "Warndon Parish":

As things stand, the use of the name "Warndon Parish" for the county division is also confusing to electors, for similar reasons to those given above.

Option 1: If it is decided that the county division boundary should remain as it is, WPC would propose changing the division name. For simplicity, it would make sense for the division to take both city ward names, thereby creating the division of "**St Nicholas/Leopard Hill**".

Option 2: As we understand it, Worcestershire County Council's submission in relation to the boundary for the "Warndon Parish" division proposes that the division boundary should be coterminous with the parish.

If that were to be the outcome of the review, WPC would be happy with the slight change of name to "**Warndon Villages**" division.

WPC has no other suggestions to make regarding the division boundary review.

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