

Sunderland

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Comment text:

Related subject: Copt Hill, Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row wards, known as the Coalfield Area.

Proposals for an additional ward and renaming/naming 5 wards that would then retain the Coalfield Area community.

Attached Documents:

- CoalfieldWardBoundaries Submission.docx

Copt Hill, Hetton, Houghton and Shiney Row are collectively known as the “Coalfield Area” a distinct and vibrant community.

Agree with the commission’s recommendation that this area increases from four wards to five wards.

Recommend the commission amend the boundaries of the new wards to retain communities as follows:

Shiney Row Ward

Retain the Shiney Row Ward minus the electors from the current S04 polling district which are transferred into a new ward called Herrington/Newbottle.

Therefore, the proposed Shiney Row ward would comprise of the electors in the current S01, S02, S03, S05 and S06 polling districts.

This would give the new Shiney Row Ward a total electorate of 9018 (2029) electors which would equate to 3006 electors per councillor.

Herrington/Newbottle Ward

In order to increase the number of wards from four to five in the Coalfield Area, create a new ward from 3 current wards. Calling this ward Herrington/Newbottle Ward, and it would be comprised of electors in the current polling districts:

C05 & C06 (Copt Hill); H04 & H05 (Houghton) and S04 (Shiney Row).

Therefore, the proposed Herrington/Newbottle Ward would have a total of 8128 (2029) electors, which would equate to 2709 electors per councillor.

Houghton Ward

Propose retaining a Houghton Ward. The proposed Houghton Ward would comprise of current polling districts H01, H02 & H03 (Houghton) and G03 (Hetton).

In order to ensure that all wards are of equal as possible number of electors it is necessary to transfer the 137 electors that reside on Houghtonside, which is currently in H03 polling district into the proposed Copt Hill Ward.

This would mean that the proposed Houghton Ward would have a total electorate (2029) of 8266, which equates to 2755 electors per councillor.

Copt Hill Ward

Retain the vast majority of the current Copt Hill Ward. Namely current polling districts C01, C02, C03 and C04

In addition to the transfer of the 137 electors from Houghtonside that are currently in H03 polling district.

In order to ensure the proposed Copt Hill is in the range of the commissions thresholds transfer 500 electors from the current G02 (Hetton) polling district into the proposed Copt Hill.

Namely the electors in Front Street, Richard Street, John Street, Pemberton Street, Railway Street, Union Street, Barnes Street, Caroline Street, Scotts Terrace, Stephenson Close, Victoria Street, The Avenue, Summerson Street, South Market Street, Victory Street East, and Victory Street West.

This would mean that the proposed Copt Hill Ward would have a total electorate of 7883 (2029) electors, which would equate to 2627 electors per councillor.

This proposal is in a very similar range of the electorate proposed by the commission for the Roker Ward of 7995 and therefore should be acceptable and would also remove the need for a ward to cross the A19.

Hetton Ward

Retain a Hetton Ward. The proposed Hetton Ward would cover the existing polling districts of G01, G02, G04 & G05.

As set out in the submission for the Copt Hill Ward transfer 500 electors from G02 into the proposed Copt Hill Ward.

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Hi,

Yesterday I tried a number of times to submit both comments and upload a proposal for the Sunderland Coalfield wards on your "Have Your Say" page. Despite using both my personal and Councillor email addresses the submissions were rejected.

I therefore attach the submission file that was rejected.

Please acknowledge receipt and advise the reasons why my comments and proposal was rejected.

Kind regards,

Mel Speding

Attached Documents:

None attached