

# Middlesbrough

## Personal Details:

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Nunthorpe

Please see attached correspondence

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*

Response to Boundary Commission from Nunthorpe Parish Council.

Nunthorpe Parish Council would very strongly prefer to retain our existing identity and Ward boundary (subject to one refinement outlined below).

There is a strong sense of community within Nunthorpe, with few residents wishing to leave, and many contributing in a variety of volunteering roles. A Nunthorpe Neighbourhood Plan has been drafted, and all residents are involved through the free circulation to every home of the quarterly publication- "Greater Nunthorpe News". As housebuilding has caused the centre of gravity to move southwards, a new hub (including a new Community Centre) is being planned at the centre of the ward, as part of the integration of the older housing developments to the north, the newer housing estate to the west, the planned construction in the east, and the rural area in the south.

The only change Nunthorpe Parish Council would wish to support relates to that part of Grey Towers Village where houses have most recently been constructed- Borrowby Rise and Plantation View.

Nunthorpe Parish Council was contacted by some residents of Borrowby Rise who were alarmed to discover that, unlike all other residents of Grey Towers Village, they do not live in the Nunthorpe Ward. The Parish Council informed all residents of Borrowby Rise and Plantation View, and the Councillors of Marton West, that we would only make a case to the Boundary Commission for their addresses to be officially regarded as part of the Nunthorpe Ward if this is the clear view of the residents.

We received the attached 25 responses which indicate the strength of feeling. No-one has expressed a contrary view.

In summary, their main reasons for wishing to be part of the Nunthorpe Ward are

**1. Respondents feel an integral part of the Grey Towers Village community.**

Grey Towers Village was developed as one community. Residents can only get to their homes via Grey Towers Village. It's "logical" because there is no natural boundary line within the estate, whereas Brass Castle Lane does form a clear dividing line. It's "ridiculous" to try to make an artificial divide, cutting off part of the estate.

**2. Respondents feel an integral part of the Nunthorpe community.**

Many residents moved to Borrowby Rise or Plantation View because they want to be part of Nunthorpe; they were assured when buying that their homes are in Nunthorpe; they have a Nunthorpe address; and until recently they had assumed that they belong to Nunthorpe. They use Nunthorpe facilities such as shops and schools; want to continue to be involved in the Nunthorpe Neighbourhood Plan; voted in May 2023 for Nunthorpe Ward Councillors and Nunthorpe Parish Councillors; pay the Nunthorpe precept; and are "affected by Nunthorpe-wide issues much more than any Marton-based issues."

**3. Respondents feel potential for difficulties if they are part of Marton West.**

There is a risk of being forgotten or overlooked if they live in a small area regarded as an "addendum" to Marton West. There is also the potential that Marton West Councillors for Borrowby / Plantation might take a different stance from the Councillors of Nunthorpe over matters relating to Grey Towers Village, which benefit from a consistent approach.

The residents ask the Boundary Commission to take the “sensible approach” and foster the current sense of a unified community, rather than risk the confusion such a divide could create.

Replies to consultation on Borrowby Rise/Plantation View being within Marton West.

We wish to inform you that we would prefer to be in and on the Nunthorpe electoral register rather than Marton west. We feel that the whole of grey towers should be in the same electoral area plus we were always told and presumed that Brass Castle lane was the boundary which made sense. Kind regards, [REDACTED].

Dear Angela,

I am writing to share our views on the future of Borrowby Rise and Plantation View as part of the proposed boundary changes.

As Borrowby Rise residents [REDACTED], we are supportive of this part of Grey Towers Village being part of Nunthorpe along with the rest of the estate. It seems logical for Borrowby and Plantation to be part of Nunthorpe as there isn't a natural boundary line within the estate, however Brass Castle Lane could neatly serve as a boundary between Marton West and Nunthorpe.

We voted in the Nunthorpe Parish elections in May 2023 and it is my understanding that part of our Council Tax supports the work of the Parish Council, therefore we are supportive of Borrowby and Plantation officially being part of Nunthorpe.

Kind regards,  
[REDACTED]

Good morning, I have just received a letter through my door regarding Borrowby rise and plantation view being a part of Marton west and not Nunthorpe. I am currently a resident of [REDACTED] Borrowby rise and I think it goes without saying that I would like you to pursue us becoming part of Nunthorpe. I bought this house on the assumption it was Nunthorpe, I have never heard of an estate be split into two different places, and if I come to sell my house if it is classed as marton it will decrease the value of it. I have paid a premium price for my house due to it being in, what everyone thought, was Nunthorpe so I'm really not happy with it being classed as marton.

In summary, yes I would like you to make a case for Borrowby rise to be regarded as part of Nunthorpe. Kind regards, [REDACTED]

Hi, Just a quick email to say the residents at [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise support your decision to have us moved from Marion West to Nunthorpe.

I find it odd, as the only driveable entrance into our estate is through Nunthorpe and we are Grey Towers Village therefore should be tied with the rest of the estate.

The boundary should be Brass Castle Lane.

Regards, [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern, I wish to inform you that I would prefer to be in and on the Nunthorpe electoral register rather than Marton West. I feel that the whole of Grey Towers should be in the same electoral area plus.

I was told when I bought my home that I would be living in Nunthorpe. I believe that I paid above and beyond for my home believing that I would be in Nunthorpe. I was told that Brass Castle Lane was the boundary which makes sense.

Kind regards, [REDACTED]

Good afternoon, I live at [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise [REDACTED] and would prefer the road to be in the same ward as the rest of the Greytowers Village estate.

Kind regards [REDACTED] it would be a sensible approach to incorporate Borrowby Rise into Nunthorpe Ward like the rest of the estate.

Kind regards, [REDACTED]

Mrs. Livingstone,

Please accept this email on behalf of myself and fiancé - we both strongly believe Plantation View (and Borrowby Rise) should be part of Nunthorpe. As we assumed it was when we bought the house.

It seems ridiculous that this would be classed as a different boundary to the rest of Grey Towers.

Regards [REDACTED] Plantation View, Nunthorpe, [REDACTED].

Subject **YES to becoming part of Nunthorpe**

Further to the explanatory letter from the Parish Council we wholeheartedly wish to be part of Nunthorpe.

[REDACTED] Borrowby Rise, Nunthorpe [REDACTED]

Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

Yes to nunthorpe it would be simple and less confusing known as nunthorpe

[REDACTED] plantation view

Dear Mrs. Livingstone I refer to your recent communication regarding the error made by Middlesbrough Council and the issue of which ward Borrowby Rise and Plantation View should be in. As a resident in Borrowby Rise, I was surprised to discover that we are actually in the Marton West ward as this really does not make any sense.

Borrowby Rise and Plantation View and the surrounding communal areas (the SUDS pond, open grass areas and wooded areas) are all an integral part of the Grey Towers Village development and it would be highly desirable for these two roads and their surroundings to be represented by the same councillors as the rest of the development. To have the area split between 2 wards could mean that the councillors for this smaller area (about 100 houses) will take a Marton orientated view different from the rest of the much larger part of Grey Towers Village whose councillors will quite rightly take a Nunthorpe oriented view.

The whole of Grey Towers Village is one local integrated community and the whole village has been developed right from the outset as one community. It is therefore very important that it should have the same political representation across this community as we all face the same issues. This area is geographically part of Nunthorpe and is affected by Nunthorpe wide issues much more than any Marton based issues.

You will see that I have copied this email to the Boundary Commission. Kind regards. [REDACTED]  
Borrowby Rise

Hi Our answer is yes we wish to remain under Nunthorpe Parish Council as sold.

We have lived in Nunthorpe for almost 25 years before downsizing to our property on Plantation View as we still wished to remain in Nunthorpe. We are absolutely amazed that there is now a question mark over whether it comes under Nunthorpe. We were sold the property we are in as being part of "Nunthorpe". As far as we are concerned we bought the property in Nunthorpe especially to hold its value too and feel if this is now Marton West it may devalue our property. Hopefully sense will prevail.  
Yours sincerely, [REDACTED] Plantation View

Dear Parish Council Members,

In response to your letter on the above matter, I would like to agree that YES, I would prefer for these addresses to be amended to sit within Nunthorpe. My reasoning is threefold:

1. I already considered it part of Nunthorpe, sections of the Grey Towers Village Estate sitting in different parishes creates a sense of divide rather than community.
2. It is logical from a governance perspective that all of Grey Towers Village is considered in unison on matters arising in future.
3. I would like to remain included in discussions and decisions regarding the Nunthorpe neighborhood plan, as i consider myself and my family Nunthorpe residents

Many thanks, [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise Dear Parish Council Members,

I am writing in response to your letter regarding Borrowby Rise and Plantation View. My response it that YES, I agree that the addresses should be amended to sit within Nunthorpe and not Marton West.

Regards [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise

Hi,

We would like to be part of Nunthorpe which we were told we would be when we bought our house.

Mr [REDACTED]

I/we prefer to be part of Nunthorpe

Bought house on Borrowby Rise with Grey Towers Nunthorpe adress and probably paid a premium price for the property

Would feel I've been miss sold if adress was changed

Ps love the house/area

[REDACTED] Borrowby Rise

I am [REDACTED] Plantation View.

I would strongly prefer that we are part of Nunthorpe Parish Council (along with the rest of Grey Towers Village).

It has always been our understanding that it was since buying and moving in at the end of May2023, until receiving this letter.

It makes a lot of sense to me to that the entire village be classed as being in the same council and not have 1 or 2 roads being in a separate council.

This way for example, should any issues arise in the village, at least we can all deal with just the one council. Hopefully common sense will prevail here,

Regards, [REDACTED]

Dear Parish Council Clerk,

Yes to Plantation View being in Nunthorpe.

Kind regards, [REDACTED]

Hello team, I appreciate the effort being put in by the Parish Council towards making Plantation View and Borrowby Rise a part of Nunthorpe.

We, living at the address below support this motion.

Regards. Address- [REDACTED] Plantation View

Good Afternoon

I live at [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise and I would prefer Borrowby Rise to be part of Nunthorpe.

Regards [REDACTED]

Good morning, We are residents of Plantation View and are replying to the request that we want to become part of Nunthorpe as appose to Marton West as the rest of Grey Towers Village is already known as Nunthorpe.

Thank you. [REDACTED]

Bought as Nunthorpe , so Nunthorpe is what it should be. [REDACTED]

To whom it may concern,

My name is [REDACTED] and I live at [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise. After receiving the letter from Nunthorpe Parish Council, I would like to vote yes for Borrowby Rise and Plantation View to be regarded as part of Nunthorpe. I was unaware that I was technically a part of Marton West, and personally I find it a shame to be different from the rest of Grey Towers Village, especially as Grey Towers is very well known as being Nunthorpe.

Thank you for your consideration of my vote [REDACTED]

Hello,

We would like to be part of Nunthorpe, just as the rest of the estate is.

Kind regards [REDACTED] Plantation View

Dear Mrs Livingstone & Parish Council

We write with regard to the item regarding the inclusion of Borrowby Rise and Plantation View with the rest of Grey Towers Village within the Nunthorpe Parish boundary. We would support the 2 streets becoming part of Nunthorpe Parish as we believe the whole of Grey Towers Village should come under the same councillors to make the management of the estate uniform. It would be easier for us as residents to come under the same council also. We live at [REDACTED] Borrowby Rise and feel part of Nunthorpe and not Marton.

Thank you [REDACTED]

Good morning,

We would like to state our preference as yes for Borrowby Rise and Plantation View becoming part of Nunthorpe ward:

There is a risk of breaking a community spirit within Grey Towers Village if a small area is designated Marton West with differing Councillor representation.

The area feels more naturally 'Nunthorpe' with Nunthorpe shops being our local amenities, not Marton.

I have lived in Nunthorpe all my life and purchased our current property with the intent of continuing to do so.

As a resident of Borrowby Rise I wish my area to become part of Nunthorpe. I was quite dismayed to learn that Borrowby Rise was part of Marton West ( as stated in your letter ). I recently moved to Grey Towers Village to be a proud resident of Nunthorpe. I fully support Nunthorpe Parish Council in making the case for Borrowby Rise and Plantation View to be regarded as part of Nunthorpe.

My address is : Borrowby Rise, Middlesbrough,