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Related subject: Washington & Silksworth

As a Washington resident, I agree with the names proposed for the Washington wards.

I do not think it was possible to continue with compass points as Labour has publicly suggested on social media because what was previously South, where I live, was going to be West. There would be no logical way to explain how a house that has remained fixed in its place has suddenly gone from the South of Washington to the West of it.

I am, though, very concerned by the proposal for Silksworth which is an area I am familiar with.

I do not see how a ward can be built across Tunstall Hills and that be acceptable; the previous proposal to include Silksworth in with neighbouring Farrington makes much more sense as there is a natural flow between these communities. They're similar types of housing stock, have a shared doctors practice, shared youth clubs, shared churches and the road network binds them together well. Tunstall is like another world to Silksworth and it is vastly and geographically different. Councillors elected in this proposed ward would in effect be representing two very disparate communities with no commonality.

Attached Documents:

None attached