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Related subject: Newport Pagnell North, Newport Pagnell South.

This submission mainly concerns the Newport Pagnell North and Newport Pagnell South wards which, judging by the amount of public input given in 2013 surrounding their establishment, have been a source of contention for some time.

I am based in Redhouse Park, which is the only substantial part of Great Linford Parish to be included in Newport Pagnell North - the vast majority of the parish is included in Newport Pagnell South. Including Great Linford in either Newport Pagnell wards, though I respect has been necessary for ensuring equal electorates, continues to strike as incredibly odd - the areas south of the M1 (which divides the Newport Pagnell and Great Linford parishes) have almost nothing to do with Newport Pagnell.

Prior to the 2013, this issue wasn't present, due to the existence of Linford North and Linford South. Considering population growth across Great Linford, such as Redhouse Park, and anticipated population growth in Newport Pagnell concerning Milton Keynes East, reverting to this arrangement seems more considerate of local communities and parish council structures. Therefore, a Great Linford ward and a unified Newport Pagnell ward would be a welcome development (though the rural areas of Newport North pose an issue here).

Attached Documents:

None attached