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Related subject: Wolds Weighton and Pocklington Provincial

The previous boundaries in the area of Wolds Weighton and Pocklington Provincial were very poor, particularly in the case of the former, to the extent that they could give the public the perception of having been gerrymandered. Firstly there is little logical reason to have such a diverse and geographically large area represented by three councillors, and it would make more sense for them to instead be split in such a way that more coherent local areas could be represented by two or a single councillor. In the case of Wolds Weighton in particular the swathes of countryside added to the town of Market Weighton make little rational sense. There is no meaningful local connection between Full Sutton and Market Weighton, the former having much closer educational, health and other connections with Stamford Bridge, similarly for Melbourne with Pocklington. My view is that in constructing new boundaries one should first take the towns and their immediate local areas, that are served by their local services such as schools and GPs, ensuring for example that Full Sutton is represented with Stamford Bridge, Barmby Moor with Pocklington, and that Shiptonthorpe remains with Market Weighton, and that the Wolds and other highly rural areas should be represented independently.

Attached Documents:

None attached