

Solihull

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Comment text:

Related subject: Bickenhill & Marston Green Parish

Bickenhill & Marston Green Parish Council has considered the draft proposals for Solihull MBC ward boundary changes and makes the following comments in relation to the draft changes proposed in regard to the effective discharge of the Parish Councils functions.

If the proposed changes were implemented the existing Parish boundary and properties served by the Parish Council would be distributed across three Solihull MBC wards. This would mean that the Parish Council would be working with nine Solihull MBC Councillors to jointly represent their population. This arrangement would place a severe resource implication on the Parish Council in the efficient discharge of its functions. The Parish Council is also concerned that the segregation of the new Low Brook and Brooklands wards from the remainder of the Parish could have a negative impact on community identity. Accordingly the Parish Council does not support this proposal.

Instead the Parish Council supports the original submission by Solihull MBC which retains the integrity and administrative arrangements of Bickenhill & Marston Green Parish Council intact, allowing the continuing and effective discharge of the Parish Council functions to the residents it serves.

Although not in the Boundary of Bickenhill & Marston Green Parish Council the Council supports the transfer of electoral register properties contained in register BH01 to the functioning area of our neighbouring Chelmsley Wood Town Council.

Attached Documents:

None attached