

Somerset

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Organisation Name: Somerset Council (District or county councillor)

Comment text:

Related subject: Upper Tone

I currently represent Upper Tone on Somerset Council, along with Cllr Gwil Wren. We have agreed a joint response. Our views are given in the accompanying file.

Previously, I represented Wiveliscombe and West Deane on Taunton Deane Borough Council, Wiveliscombe and District on Somerset West and Taunton Council, and Upper Tone on Somerset County Council. I have also been a Wiveliscombe Town Councillor in the past.

This means I have attended and know parish councils around the small town of Wiveliscombe, where I live. Currently, I cover a further 13 parish councils and previously I covered another five, which were known as the Brendon Hills (Skilgate, Upton, Huish Champflower, Clatworthy and Brompton Ralph).

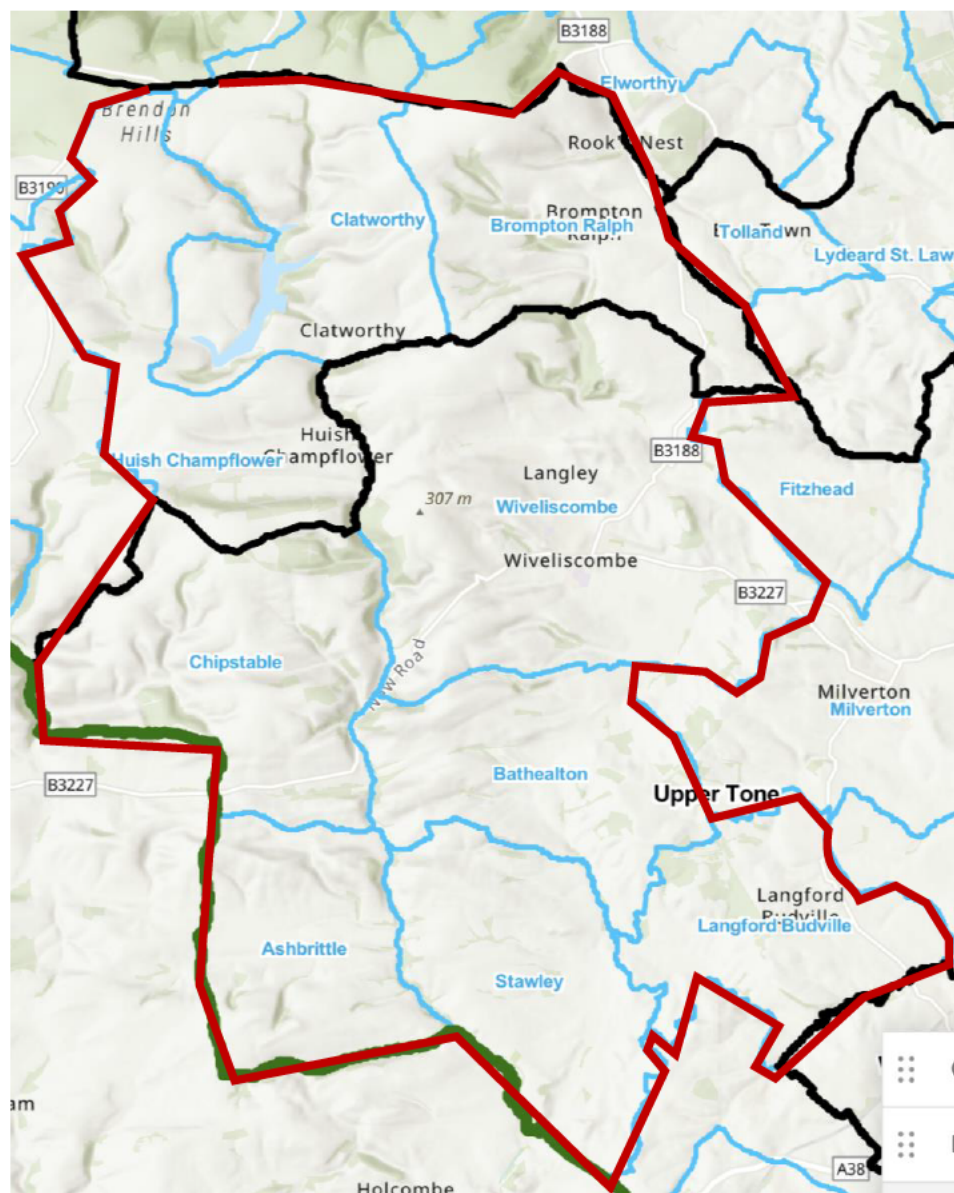
Currently, I am also the vice-chair of the Wellington and Wiveliscombe Local Community Network.

This background gives me a good understanding of community identities and interests in the area, and how a shared sense of community could be reflected in new ward/division boundaries. This has informed the views expressed in the attached file, together with the need for electoral equality and effective local government.

Attached Documents:

- [views-from-cllrs-mansell-and-wren.pdf](#)

Wiveliscombe and District



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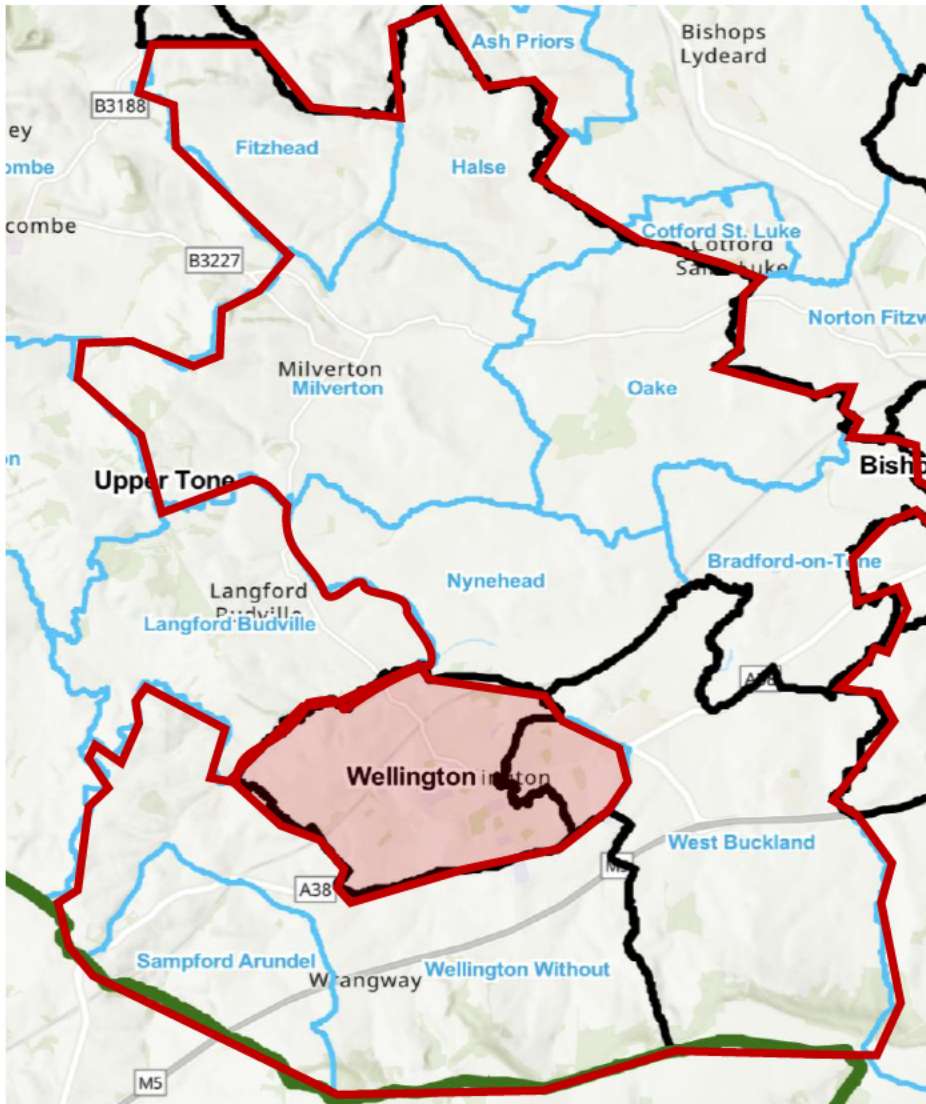
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WIVELISCOMBE AND DISTRICT					
Polling district	Parish	Parish ward	Existing division	Electorate 2023	Electorate 2030
W-DAA	Ashbrittle		Upper Tone	169	173
W-DAC	Bathealton		Upper Tone	145	146
W-DAS	Chipstable		Upper Tone	250	239
W-DBS	Langford Budville		Upper Tone	435	442
W-DDA	Stawley		Upper Tone	238	243
W-DFR	Wiveliscombe		Upper Tone	1851	2016
W-DFS	Wiveliscombe		Upper Tone	720	719
W-DAJ	Brompton Ralph		Dulverton & Exmoor	183	181
W-DAU	Clatworthy		Dulverton & Exmoor	70	71
W-DBP	Huish Champflower		Dulverton & Exmoor	211	202
TOTAL ELECTORS				4,272	4,432
Variance to Electors Target				5%	-9%

Upper Tone



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W-DBX	Milverton		Upper Tone	1142	1189
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W-DCJ	Oake		Upper Tone	595	632
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W-DFD	Wellington Without	Thorne St. Margaret	Upper Tone	53	53
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TOTAL ELECTORS				4,812	4,867
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached a joint submission from Cllr Gwil Wren and me, who are the Somerset Councillors for Upper Tone. You should also receive this from Gwil.

I submitted this online yesterday (ref: 1153441). However, I was not confident that the attached file had been submitted with my response, although it was uploaded.

Therefore, after noting submissions could be sent by email too, I thought best to submit again to ensure received.

As said, I currently represent Upper Tone on Somerset Council, along with Cllr Gwil Wren. I am also vice-chair of the Wellington and Wiveliscombe Local Community Network. These networks were set-up to cover areas with shared community interests. Previously, I represented Wiveliscombe and West Deane on Taunton Deane Borough Council and then Wiveliscombe and District on Somerset West and Taunton Council, as well as being a Wiveliscombe Town Councillor.

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Similarly, Gwil has long represented local wards, particularly on the borough and district councils.

This gives us local knowledge on community identities and interests in this area, which we understand is one of the three criteria that applies in selecting division/ward boundaries. We hope our views will be given due consideration.

Regards, Dave

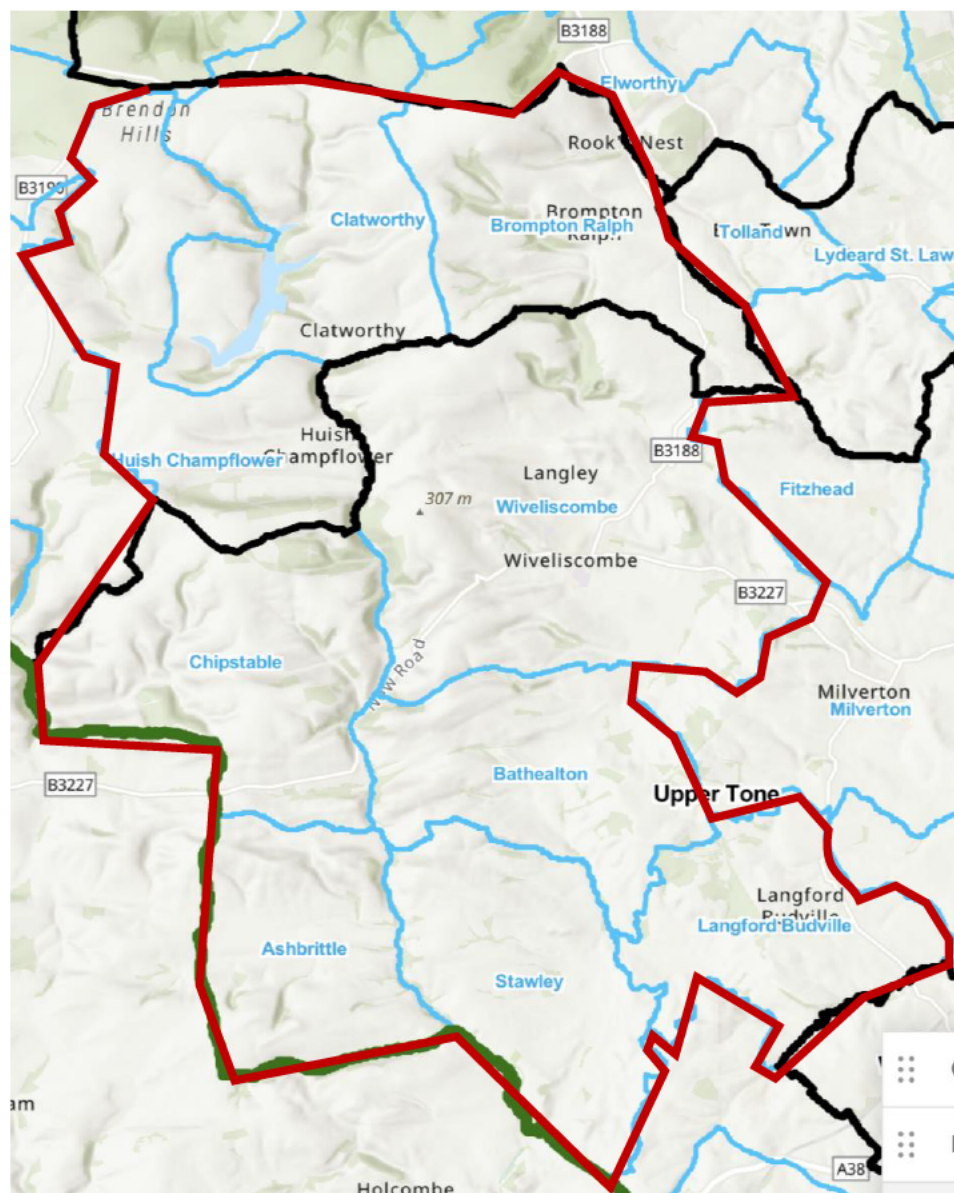
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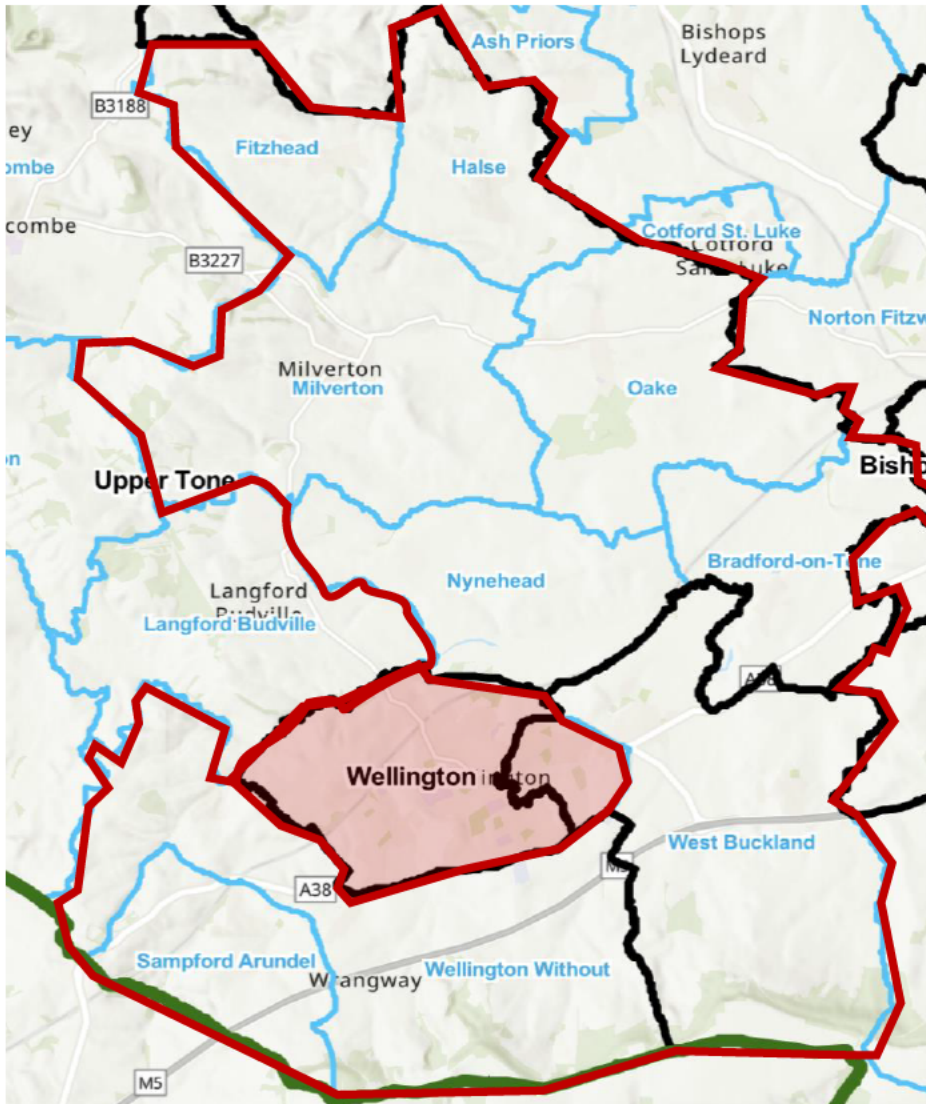
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