

# North Yorkshire

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Westwick Parish

The proposed changes to the North Yorkshire Council Divisions have included Roecliffe in the Boroughbridge Division and Westwick in the Ripon Canal and Ure Division. There are a variety of reasons that the Roecliffe and Westwick Parish Council would like you to reconsider this proposal.

1 Roecliffe and Westwick is run as one Parish Council and while we appreciate that this would still be the case, RWPC would then be working with two different Divisions. This will place additional pressure on a very small Parish Council as it would have to keep two Divisional Councillors up to date with everything happening within the Parishes.

2 Roecliffe and Westwick Parish Council is the only Parish Council in the area to have a formally adopted Neighbourhood Plan. This obviously includes Westwick. It would be complicated to be dealing with any issues relating to the Westwick part of the plan with a different Divisional Councillor compared to the Roecliffe part of the same plan.

3 Westwick is a very small Parish with between 6 and 10 electors. If this small number of electors was included within the Boroughbridge Division it would make very little difference to the overall intention of the review to establish parity between the Divisions with regard to size and number of voters.

4 Traditionally Westwick has always been included with Roecliffe as part of the Parish Council. This is due to the Holbeck forming a natural boundary between Westwick and the next village Bishop Monkton so keeping Westwick on the Roecliffe side of this physical boundary.

5 The road from Roecliffe and Westwick to Bishop Monkton floods on regular basis so the only way for residents of Westwick to get out of their Parish is via Roecliffe. This forms the more traditional link with Roecliffe and subsequently the proposed Boroughbridge Division.

RWPC hope you will take these matters into consideration and reverse the proposal. This would allow Westwick to be included in the Boroughbridge Division.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*