

# North Somerset

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Weston super Mare Uphill ward

Uphill ward is a very diverse ward, made up of Uphill Village, Coronation estate, Broadoak area and part of Bleadon Hill. This diversity is great in many ways. As the councillor that has represented the ward for the last 2.5 years I do not think the name Uphill ward is a good name because Uphill is associated with Uphill Village which is a probably about a quarter of the ward. I wonder if Weston super Mare West would be a better name, more reflective of where it is in relation to Central and South ward. I also wonder whether the Bleadon Hill bit of the ward should be moved into Hutton ward and to balance the loss of population Uphill ward boundaries could be extended along Walliscote Rd and Beach Rd.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*

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I have previously submitted a comment ref 1166091. This and the attached is a supplement to that comment containing more detail on my suggestion to change the ward name to Weston super Mare West ward and change the boundaries of the ward.

## Attached Documents:

- response-to-boundary-consultation-1.2.26.docx

## **Weston super Mare, Uphill ward – proposed changes to name and boundaries**

**Change the name from Weston super Mare Uphill ward to Weston super Mare West ward** – Uphill is only the name for one small part of the ward - Uphill Village (WJB – 1400 or so electors). People who live in other parts of the ward – Coronation, Broadoak, Old Mixon and Bleadon Hill do not see themselves as living in Uphill because they associate the name with Uphill Village. I think something like West ward would be better – it is West in relation to South and Central Weston super Mare wards.

### **Change boundaries as follows:**

Currently Uphill ward is 6,599 electors. Proposal below Uphill ward becomes approximately 7367 electors.

#### **Remove:**

WJD Uphill ward (No. 4), Bleadon Hill - 1,032 electors and the Old Mixon part of WJC – 450 electors – move these electors into neighbouring Hutton and Locking ward. These areas have more in common with Hutton and Locking ward than Uphill ward. The railway line would also make a strong boundary for the east side of the ward.

#### **Keep:**

WJA Uphill Ward (No.1), 1409 electors

WJB Uphill ward (No.2), 1463 electors

WJC Uphill ward (No. 3), 1417 electors

WJE Uphill ward (No. 5), 1278 electors

#### **Add:**

Extend the north boundary of the ward to include the area between Quantock Rd and Clifton Road – approximately 1800 electors who are currently in Central ward - the railway line would be the boundary to the east, Beach Rd to the west.