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Related subject: Worle, Weston-super-Mare

I'm writing in relation to my local area, which is the western and central area of Worle, a former village, now part of Weston-super-Mare. The area I'm specifically refering to consists of the current WED polling district of the current Weston-super-Mare Kewstoke Ward.

This area is still often refered to and known locally as Worle Village or Old Worle. This is the area of the historic village of Worle and contains Worle High Street, Which still serves as the main leisure and comercial centre for the rest of Worle, including the post 1960's housing developments in North Worle and South Worle wards, which are both also within the area of the historic parish of Worle.

The current ward this area belongs to (Weston-super-Mare Kewstoke) is not really a single comunity, but parts of separate communities and makes no sense locally.

The parish of Kewstoke and the neighbouring Weston-super-Mare districts of Worlebury and Milton are completeley separate communities to Worle Village (WED polling district).

The Worle Village area is a self contained community in its own right and this should ideally be reflected in the North Somerset and Weston-super-Mare Town Council warding arrangements if at all possible. In order to be compliant with the required number of electors per ward, this could perhaps be acheived by combining the WED polling district with the current WFA and WFB polling districts of the current Mid Worle Ward and or the WIA polling district of South Worle. All of these polling districts look to Worle High Street for local shops, medical facilities and the local

Schools. The area is served by three full primary schools in and around Worle High Street (all within the WED polling district) and Worle Secondary School, which is located in the WIA polling district of South Worle, however the WED polling district is within its catchment area, as is part of the current Mid Worle ward area, as all are within easy walking distance of Worle Secondary School.

Worle Village and its surroundings are also served by a large medical practice within the area, that works from two local surgeries, which are both within the WED polling district area.

There is also a community centre in Lawrence Road, just off Worle High Street, in addition to three local pubs, and many local shops in and around Worle High Street, all of which are well used by local residents and thriving.

The area is also centred around St Martin's Parish Church, the historic village church for Worle, which still has a very active church community, which continues to play a leading role in the wider local community.

Worle Village is a thriving local community and should be represented as a council ward on its own, or combined with the two neighbouring Mid and South Worle ward polling districts as mentioned above.

I have three suggestions for possible names for this new ward, which could be;

Weston-super-Mare Worle West, Weston-super-Mare Worle Central or Weston-super-Mare Old Worle

Attached Documents:

None attached