# North Somerset

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**Related subject:** Wraxall and Failand

The ward boundary should remain as it is, with the Elms areas staying in Wraxall and Failand within the Long Ashton ward. The Elms remaining in the Long Ashton ward would mean that each constituent would receive more effective representation per councillor and maintain electoral equality.
The Elms identity is more aligned with Wraxall and Failand parish and not Nailsea. Transfer would split the parish and push a rural Community into an urban ward against their wishes thus fracturing local ties.
The changes would create confusion for residents on Parish and District governance, elections and representation. The Elms would be represented by the Nailsea Youngwood Ward councillor who is more aligned to the wider majority interest of Nailsea than the councillors of long Ashton ward.
The proposed recommendations would reduce governance by providing the Elms with only one Nailsea ward councillor as opposed to the currently two for Wraxall and Failand parish.
Local parish governance would become more complex, requiring coordination across three district councillors.compared to the current unitary arrangement this would be neither effective or convenient. The existing governance structure is well established and effective, thus, in the absence of any significant change in circumstances, that continuity should carry substantial weight.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*