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I hope to do a more thorough response but, in case i don't find the time, I just want to make one point.

First, some background. I have been an elected City Councillor in Castle Ward since 1999. In 2003, the Regent Street, Queen Street area was sliced off to form a major part of Duke's Ward.

Your proposal is to enlarge parts of Duke's Ward by taking in parts of Castle Ward (including the Castle). You then propose creating a new Marsh Ward (which doesn't include the Castle).

The result of all this is that the name Castle Ward will be lost. This will be a shame as it name goes back at least 100 years to the time of Williamson (Lord Ashton - who built the memorial). My proposal, and this is supported by the current Duke's Councillor is to rename Duke's Ward as Castle Ward.

The reasons for this are:

1. It will preserve the name of Castle Ward, which has a long history.
2. The Castle is a focal point and is a good thing to name a ward by.
2. Duke's Ward is presumably named after the Duke's theatre (which may have come from Duke of Lancaster - not sure). However, the theatre is not in Dukes Ward. The Castle will be. At the time (2003) nobody knew what to name this city ward and they just made up something.
3. Dukes Ward is relatively new (10 years) and there is little 'emotional' attachment to it.

Anyway, that's it. Thanks

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