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Dear Sir,

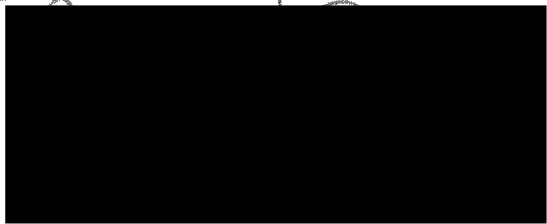
I understand that a review into the future electoral arrangements in North Hertfordshire has recently been carried out by the Boundary Commission. A recommendation is to be made that the three existing Wards of Hoo, Offa and Hildeswood should be merged into one three Councillor Ward.

Rather like "regionalisation", this seems to be yet another attempt to ensure that democracy is diluted as much as possible, and representation is passed, ~~to~~ in this case to Councillors, who have little or no contact with or knowledge of the very diverse

opinions and requirements of those three Wards.  
Special localised knowledge is absolutely vital in  
local government representation, but that is something  
that members of the Boundary Committee does not give  
a damn about. Their recommendation is just an  
example of people who know nothing about local  
requirements, drawing lines on maps and thinking  
what a good job they have done.

The comments expressed above conform to  
the opinions of all in this area with whom I have  
discussed the subject.

Yours sincerely,



(SIR THOMAS PILKINGTON).