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Please find attached my last attempt to make you see sense and keep a community whole. I have been told it's a waste of time writing, but I live in hope that someone will see the terrible mistake that would happen if these proposals were carried through.

Regards
Councillor Jon Williams

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Councillor Jon Williams



27th June 2006

Dear Sirs

South Gloucestershire Boundary Review

I have written previously, but have not had any acknowledgement or response. So, on this final day of "consultation", I thought I would make a final attempt to let you know how I feel.

My previous correspondence with you highlighted flaws in your consultation as no-one affected by the proposals to change the boundary in South Bradley Stoke and include the "Stean Bridge Estate" into a Stoke Gifford ward, (apart from myself) were aware of them. After making the people affected aware of the proposals I see from your web site that 37 of them wrote to you. I know this is less than 10%, but in the scheme of things probably represents a good response from ordinary members of the public. Of these 37 residents, only 1 wrote in favour, with the rest pointing out that the community should come first and not numbers. From your published decision you decided to ignore the body of evidence in favour of what? Political appeasement? Your decision goes against natural justice and splits a community that has been trying to form for the past 18 years.

As a local councillor for the area, you have made me decide not to stand at the next election as I feel that my role has been a waste of time an effort. What is the point of busting a gut to build community spirit if some faceless person can, at the swipe of a pen, undue countless hours of hard work. I hope you can sleep at night.

Please, as the final part of this whole process, rethink this decision and allow Bradley Stoke to remain a single entity.

Regards

Councillor Jon Williams