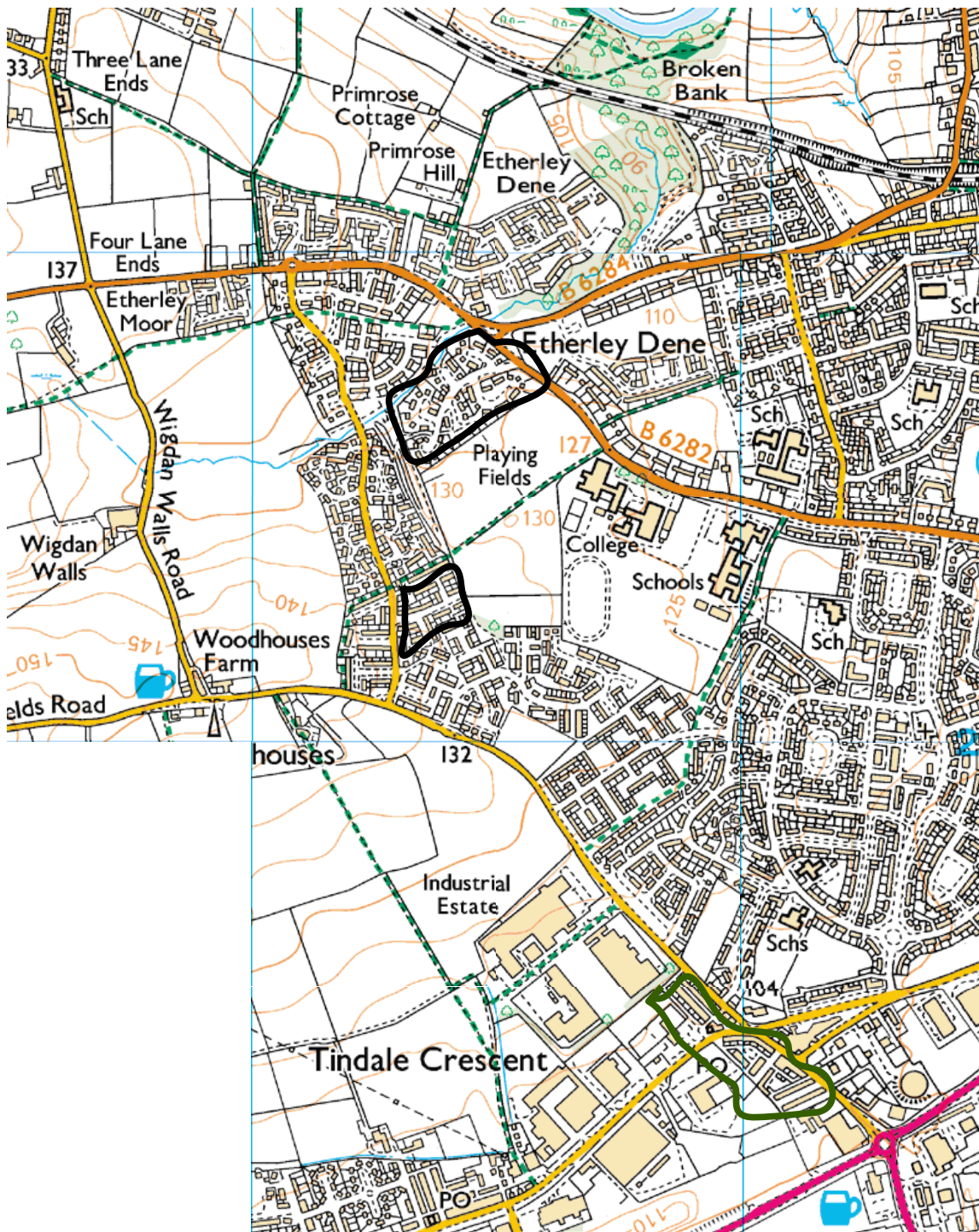


West Auckland & Woodhouse Close Divisions – Boundary Proposals



Proposals as follows:

1. **The area (Tindale Crescent) within the green-ringed area to remain within the Woodhouse Close Division – reasons as below:**
 - a) This area has a shop, post office, fish & chip shop and social club that are more naturally serviced by the residents of the Woodhouse Close Estate.
 - b) The young children of Tindale Crescent are more likely to go to the adjacent primary school on Woodhouse Close Estate (just to the north east of the green-ringed area).
 - c) There is immediate vehicular access into Woodhouse Close Estate from Tindale Crescent.
2. **The two black-ringed areas (Middlehope Grove and Rush Park) to remain within the West Auckland Division for the reasons below:**
 - a) The areas have a natural boundary of the playing fields.
 - b) A shop and garage at Etherley Moor are more naturally serviced by the residents of Middlehope Grove and Rush Park, all within the West Auckland Division.
 - c) The young children of Middlehope Grove and Rush Park naturally attend the primary school at top North West of the map (Three Lane Ends) firmly within the West Auckland Division.
 - d) There is no immediate vehicular access into Woodhouse Close Estate from either Middlehope Grove and Rush Park.

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Bell [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2009 01:26
To: Jessica Metheringham
Subject: FW: Boundary Review Bishop Auckland

Likely DCC (Labour Group) position is to make a transfer from Woodhouse close to West Auckland, (and a reverse transfer of roughly equal numbers).

RSVP to acknowledge

-----Original Message-----

From: Richard Bell
Sent: 26 May 2009 20:41
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Boundary Review Bishop Auckland

To advise that the Conservatives and Lib Dems do not support the transfer of 284 from Woodhouse Close (Tindale St) to West Auckland, and the reverse transfer of 269 from West Auckland (Rush Park, Middlehope Grove) to Woodhouse Close.

The numbers involved do not affect the viability of the overall Bishop Auckland plan, and therefore the transfers cannot be justified on a numbers basis.

We believe the current boundaries more closely reflect community cohesion and identity as detailed in the attached paper.

I do not have Billy Neilson's email but have no problem with you forwarding this.

From: Richard Bell [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2009 01:26
To: Jessica Metheringham
Subject: FW: Chester-le-St:

[See below and appended doc.](#)

From: Richard Bell
Sent: 27 May 2009 07:42
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Chester-le-St:

To advise that the Conservative Chester members have now met and agree with the transfer of 525 from North & East to West Central (Part of polling district Z to Clifford Tce).

However we do not agree with the transfer from N&E to Pelton of Polling District B (2377), and the transfer from Pelton to N&E of North Lodge (2452).

The numbers do not affect the viability of the overall Ch-le-St plan, and such a transfer must be justified.

We believe the current boundaries more closely reflect community cohesion and will table a rationale as to why:

County Cllr, Barnard Castle West Division
Tel: [REDACTED]

From: Richard Bell [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 June 2009 01:26
To: Jessica Metherringham
Subject: FW: Evenwood/West Auckland Transfers

We are happy with the likely DCC transfers in teesdale with the exception of the point below.

From: Richard Bell
Sent: 27 May 2009 07:22
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Evenwood/West Auckland Transfers

To confirm that having spoken to Cllr Hugill we are not comfortable losing East Park Farm in the NE of Evenwood to WA, as we see no good reason for the move, which will violate the parish boundary, and transfer farmland into what is the predominantly urban seat of WA.

County Cllr, Barnard Castle West Division
Tel: [REDACTED]