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To: Murphy, Sarah

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Subject: Surrey Boundary Review

Dear Sarah,

I give below the first impromptu reactions of the Councillors of Betchworth Parish.

- Eighty Councillors is plenty
- Very happy with current grouping in this area, Dorking Rural is a large but natural and cohesive grouping
- There are anomalies at Parish Level and we are surprised that for the second time in a decade you are reviewing only at County level
- Parish level changes needed, although not within your remit are
 - Capel parish too big and unnatural grouping, create separate Beare Green Parish
 - Bring back Salfords into its natural grouping within Dorking Rural
 - Very Long thin parishes like Wotton are artificial and don't reflect natural communications
Why aren't Mole Valley sorting these problems out?
- County Hall is out of place and far too remote in Kingston, the ideal location would be central, Leatherhead area close to M25 etc This would improve governance significantly
- Prefer one Councillor per ward/division if possible
- Rebalancing of Dorking Hills and Dorking Rural is likely but difficult, although the Holmwoods grouping is the most unnatural group and could well be split differently between the different Holmwoods

Good Luck with your task

Bernard Hawkins
Betchworth Parish Clerk