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on [redacted]

Our Ref: SJW/LA

Your Ref:

28 March, 2011

Dear Sir/Madam,

Electoral Commission and Revision of Divisional Boundaries of Surrey County Council (SCC)

We, the majority leader and the opposition leader on Tandridge District Council (TDC), wish to make it clear that Tandridge District Council has not been consulted on the detailed template for divisional boundaries put forward by SCC. We believe that the template pays too much attention to the first statutory criteria (electoral equality) and not enough to the second two (community identity and convenient local government).

The two tier system can be confusing for local residents. In Tandridge district we have made great efforts to ensure local residents are aware of who is responsible for what in each area and to make service delivery as efficient and cost effective as we can. We therefore recommend that the current divisional boundaries are left as they are in this district.

Yours faithfully,

[redacted]

Councillor Gordon Keymer, CBE
Leader of the Council

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Councillor Chris Botten
Leader of the Liberal Democrats