

## Buckinghamshire Council

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### Comment text:

The proposals affecting the Chalfont St Peter (CSP) ward appear to have been made to "make the numbers fit" without giving full regard to how this community will be represented. This is more important now than it has been in the past as all the services are dealt with by the larger unitary council. In the past, CSP has been split - firstly with Common Ward being part of Little Chalfont and latterly Common Ward was returned to CSP and Gold Hill Ward was placed with Chalfont St Giles. The new proposal, is to continue to annex Gold Hill Ward to Chalfont St Giles and to move part of Austenwood ward to Gerrards Cross (GX). Since unitarisation, it has become apparent that residents of Gold Hill expect the elected members from the CSP ward to take up their case. . Gold Hill Common is a central part of our village, used by all our residents. Whilst we involve our colleagues in Chalfont St Giles, we often possess access to the detailed knowledge required to assist residents of CSP. The new proposal mean that Chalfont St Peter will form part of three unitary council areas rather than the two it already does. It would make more sense to include Gold Hill ward in CSP and retain all of Austenwood ward thus keeping the representation of this cohesive community to an identifiable area, as either a three member ward or a two member ward plus single member ward. I believe the ward numbers would be within tolerances but on the low side. If the ward numbers are not considered sufficient to establish such an area(s) then a few properties from the parish of Gerrards Cross could be incorporated - most probably those in Latchmoor Way (2 properties), Latchmoor Grove, Orchehill Avenue, Oval Way and possibly Packhorse Road and North Park as well. Each of these roads currently spans the boundary between the parishes and there can be confusion when reporting things such as highway and lighting defects. It would make more sense to share members with Gerrards Cross (GX) as the built up area of two parishes is already joined whereas the built up area of Chalfont St Giles is separated by green Belt land that is unlikely to be built on .

### Uploaded Documents:

None Uploaded