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Ward Boundary between Chalfont St. Peter and Chalfont St. Giles The ward boundary between Chalfont St. Peter and Chalfont St. Giles needs to be corrected as a large part of Chalfont St. Peter is currently in the Chalfont St. Giles ward. A key part of the Chalfont St. Peter village, Gold Hill Common, is 2 miles from the centre of Chalfont St. Giles with which it has no association. The Chalfont St Peter Feast Day dating back to 1229 is not associated with Chalfont St. Giles. There is clear Green Belt between the two villages. Chalfont St Giles is not a shared community with Chalfont St. Peter and does not have common identities or interests. Chalfont St. Peter should not be represented by a Chalfont St. Giles councillor. A little while back a planning application was called in by Buckinghamshire Council. Chalfont St. Peter was represented by a Chalfont St. Giles councillor as the property was in his ward. He was not familiar with the location and consequently could not argue the necessary points in any detail. This will become a major problem for planning if the ward boundary is not changed to the current Civil Parish boundary. The administration of local government affairs needs to be effective, convenient and easily understood by local people. Areas of the Parish represented by "outsiders" does not achieve this. Buckinghamshire council is the one of the largest Unitary Authorities in England (2nd by population and 9th by area). It important that the identity of individual villages should be maintained by having their own local Councillors. The Chalfont St. Peter Ward should be extended to the current Civil Parish boundary so that it includes a very significant part of the village, including Gold Hill Common.

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