

## Buckinghamshire Council

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As a resident of the Wooburn and Bourne End Parish, our current ward mirrors the Parish boundary with the addition of the much smaller but strategically linked Hedsor Parish before it becomes part of Cliveden Ward. That is almost perfect! However I do find the Ward of Flackwell Heath, Little Marlow & Marlow South East strange as it does not mirror the Parish boundaries, or the expectations of residents - for example the residents of the Abbotsbrook Estate are more aligned to Wooburn & Bourne End Parish. This was particularly evident during the last elections when many Abbotsbrook residents were confused about their voting options, having seen all the boards whilst shopping in and around Bourne End and Wooburn, and then realising that they could not vote for those candidates! Bourne End is a thriving village - indeed in the Local Plan it is designated a Transport Hub so we do hope to have more public transport bus links to Beaconsfield for example and Marlow without having to go via High Wycombe. If you look at our facilities, many of our users come from Abbotsbrook & Well End - they don't shop in Marlow regularly as they need to have a car - whereas they can walk into Bourne End. It therefore does not make sense for them to have no say in the facilities that they would use - including the GP surgeries, the Community and Day Centre and social events; where the bus stops are, car parking etc. The natural boundary for the end of WBEPC is the roundabout at the bottom of Sheepridge Lane and then that is the start of the boundary for Little Marlow in one direction and Flackwell Heath ( Chepping Wycombe) in the other. This would be more in line with the community use rather than the political boundaries that do not always make sense. What I feel we need to see, when the wards are decided, Parishes collaborate across borders and without Ward politics - in other words the Parish and the wishes of their residents is paramount and the Ward Councillors work together to serve those Parishes first and Buckinghamshire second. For example where a facility such as the Little Marlow Sewage works and Spade Oak Country park is clearly used/part of our infrastructure, this should be subject to collaboration between Parishes and Wards.

### Uploaded Documents:

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