

Buckinghamshire Council

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Organisation Name: As an individual parish Cllr.(Chalfont St Peter) NOT on behalf of the parish council

Comment text:

My name is Anthony Shinner. I am a resident of Chalfont St Peter (Central Ward), and a councillor (and chairman) of the parish council. This is my personal response. The parish council is submitting its own response 2 I have made earlier representations supporting a three councillor ward for Chalfont St Peter. It is unfortunate that (as I understand),that your decision has to be based on population/elector data from 2011, and the ONS has still not published a breakdown of that data from the 2021 census 3 Chalfont St Peter has expanded very considerably since 2011 with a new housing estate (Grange Road) in the village centre (some 270 units) plus 38 'McCarthy & Stone' residential apartments, and conversion to residential of sizeable office buildings at Chalfont Park. This will have added some 400-500 new homes to the village. I estimate the current population of the parish to be over 14,000; so the electorate figure will have increased accordingly. From my personal knowledge of Gerrards Cross they have not seen the same level of property development and have certainly not had to absorb major developments such as the Grange 4 I welcome your conclusions about a mix of three, two and single cllr. wards across the county of Buckinghamshire. The 'one size fits all' approach is never wise. Your conclusions represent a flexible approach to the fact that communities across the county are very different in both size, and distance apart from their neighbour 5 I also recognise the need to balance the numbers by fair distribution. Your proposal puts right an anomaly by bringing Gold Hill back in to the Chalfont St Peter ward. Chalfont St Peter is the biggest community south of Amersham within the SE Bucks group of towns and villages. It seems wholly sensible to start with the needs of that community first, making adjustments at the periphery to balance the electors numbers.. There has been some grumbles from a few residents in Gerrards Cross, but those are largely from residents who seem to think they will no longer live within the borders of Gerrards Cross Town Council, and have therefore misunderstood the purpose of the exercise 6 I remain happy to support the proposed changes Mr A Shinner 30.11.2022 (Parish Cllr.)

Uploaded Documents:

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