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The proposed Chalk/ Westcourt boundary changes have the Ward dissected by one of the busiest roads in the Borough of Gravesham the A226, Chalk being on the North and Westcourt on the South creating Two individual communities. The demographic is completely different, Chalk considers itself a Village with its own church and shopping area. Historically the two were connected in Dickens time but Westcourt has spread to the south in the 1950's extending the community, the building of St Aidans Church and Shopping area, breaking any ties we had over 70 years ago with Chalk. The loss of St Patricks Gardens, part of Valley Drive, St Hildas and St Dunstans confuses the issue of identity for the Westcourt community, with the part separation neighbours will be voting for different representatives in different areas, in a time when we have been striving to bring people together and give them a sense of belonging we propose to pull them apart. The separated areas all fall within the shadow of St Aidans Church the recognised hub for us in Westcourt, the addition of Chalk and loss of half of some roads within our Community needs to be reconsidered, the current Ward boundary recognises the Community built up after the war, it works and people know where they live, we try to improve Westcourt together as the current recognised community please don't divide us and break us up now.

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