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Dear Sirs

We write with regards to the Council Size Consultation for Buckinghamshire.

As the Buckinghamshire County Council is a newly formed unitary authority incorporating Districts that were previously separate and therefore autonomous it is important that the wards within these previously independent Districts are not felt that their voice is being diluted or they're being overlooked by the loss of their very important Councillors representation.

We in Taplow are very lucky to have a dedicated and hard-working Councillor and it would be terrible for the area to lose him, and as our ward has been created from 3 wards we ask you to please bear this in mind when making your decision as given the Council is now far removed geographically from the vast majority of the residents it serves who may now feel alienated having the correct amount of Councillors represent the wards of those further away is vitally important for inclusiveness etc. and which would help the Council succeed in its role.

We appreciate that one of the purposes for bringing together all the separate Districts was for cost efficiencies and with this in mind we consider a minimum of two councillors per ward is required, however each ward should consist of equal sized populations and they should comprise of the same characteristics (such as rural and towns to be segregated) so as to properly represent those that reside in each ward who will have different requirements.

Regards,  
Martin Maund  
Chairman  
Ellington & District Residents Association