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As a Resident of Grimley Parish, I wish to register my very strong objection to the proposed amalgamation of the current Hallow and Grimley ward with that of Broadheath. The proposal has little regard for the stated aim of reflecting the interests and identities of local communities.

Broadheath is an urban neighbourhood which has always been closely aligned to the Worcester urban area. As it is an ever-growing residential satellite of the city, it requires the appropriate councillor representation associated with pursuing residents interests on the issues and challenges associated with expanding housing and associated infrastructure needs.

With no existing social networks, historical connection or economic affiliations to Grimley, There can be NO benefit to Grimley parish, or the existing Hallow Ward, in being joined with Broadheath.

In contrast our Grimley parish is an entirely rural neighbourhood that is a totally natural and logical fit with Hallow and Holt. Joined by the A443, it has shared bus services and highways infrastructure.

Furthermore, Hallow, Holt and Grimley have the shared ecosystems and environment of the River Severn and all the accompanying river infrastructure and economies, farming interests, along with shared challenges of regular flooding with its threat to, and inundation of houses and businesses.

Grimley Parish has no shops, nor a post office. Grimley is economically linked with both Holt and Hallow being used as local hubs by our residents. Holt for its post office/store and two farm shops. Hallow for its post office/store and its village store/garden centre.

In respect of Holt, Grimley has a long-standing fit, in terms of social interaction. Most notable is the joint Grimley and Holt CofE Grimley and Holt primary school, and the associated sharing of resources between the churches. ,

I request that the current proposal be carefully reviewed in order to take full regard of the social, economic, educational, economic and geographical factors that so strongly indicate that there be a new ward of Hallow, Grimley and Holt.

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