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Members of Shalford Parish Council would like to confirm that they see no reason why there should be any change to the Shalford ward boundary. The grouping of Compton, Artington and Shalford links together the three parishes that bound the town centre and through which the southern road route around Guildford passes. These three parishes experience many similar issues with regard to the major infrastructure routes in and out of Guildford as well as the problems of pollution and air quality, and are more urban than those further to the east and west. For this reason, the parish council believes the proposal that Guildford BC is putting forward is not logical. To group Shalford with the current Pilgrims ward does not seem a sensible decision when that ward encompasses a group of rural villages similar in character, and with little connection to the existing Shalford ward. Similarly, the A3 creates a boundary to the west of Compton that is a natural divide between Compton and these more rural parishes beyond the A3. It would seem much more logical to create new wards to the west of the A3 rather than to try and straddle this very clear dividing line. Despite the preference from GBC for a larger ward supported by three councillors instead of the current two for Shalford ward, we cannot see that this will bring any real benefit to the current Shalford ward because of the increased area to be covered and the differing characters and therefore issues, between the eastern and western parts of the proposed new ward.

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