

## Trafford Borough Council

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### Comment text:

I live in an area that in the draft proposal will move from being within the Bowden ward to the newly formed Western Parishes ward. I strongly object to this proposal. One of the main criteria to be considered is that the ward reflects the community interests and identities of the constituents. For very many years the affinity of Dunham Massey residents has been with the Bowden/Altrincham areas rather than the Partington/Carrington/Flixton areas. This is true with respect to schooling, with respect to shopping and with respect to many other interests - children go to the Bowden primary school, people go shopping in the Bowden/Hale area, people eat and socialise in the Bowden/Hale area. Therefore the new proposals in no way reflects the current reality and patterns of behaviour and in my opinion it would be an injustice to go ahead with the draft proposals as outlined. I understand the need to ensure as much as possible that each councillor represents approximately the same number of voters. However this has to be balanced with the need to ensure that the identities of local communities (often built over many decades and generations) is accurately reflected. Getting this balance right is key to ensuring confidence in local government. The impact of the proposed change would be very significant to the local community which, to me, should outweigh the numbers game.

### Uploaded Documents:

None Uploaded