

Wychavon District Council

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I would like my views to be taken in to account regarding this consultation on proposed local government boundary changes, insofar as these impact upon the village of Drakes Broughton. I acknowledge the three stated criteria for these proposed changes but do not necessarily agree with their order of importance. I would venture to suggest that reflecting community interest and identities is significantly more important than equality of representation when the represented population differences are so small. Paragraph 6. With specific regard to Drakes Broughton – Drakes Broughton is NOT a town, does not regard itself a town and does not have the facilities, services or make-up of a town. It is very much a rural community and should remain so. Wadborough, Pirton and Drakes Broughton seems a good set up and maybe even Peopleton too, with all being of similar rural location and outlook. Paragraph 8 The South Worcestershire Development Plan is wrong to link Drakes Broughton to Norton Juxta Kempsey and Whittington and Councillor Adams is also wrong to perpetuate this spurious connection as well he should know. His comments appear to seek to surreptitiously direct thoughts and conversation of this consultation in a particular direction that is not in the interests of Drakes Broughton and retaining its rural identity. Paragraph 11 Norton Juxta Kempsey and Whittington are now clearly connected outlying dormitory settlements of Worcester that are relinquishing their rural identities for those of urban settlements. Drakes Broughton being thankfully separated from these by rural farmland remains a rural community and needs to remain so. I am happy for Drakes Broughton to remain associated with Wadborough and Pirton and possibly even Peopleton but it must retain its rural identity and not be subsumed in to the Worcester conurbation, otherwise it will lose what makes it a desirable and pleasant place to live. Another reason why this is important is because to regard it as an urban settlement will make it vulnerable to urban focussed decision making whilst in reality remaining rural and never enjoying the services and infrastructure found in urban settlements. This would be the worst of all worlds. Kind regards [REDACTED]

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