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I strongly object to this proposal. It directly ignores fundamental criteria that the boundary commission use: "Interests and identities, and boundaries should be identifiable. Consider transport links, community groups and facilities, natural or physical boundaries, parishes and shared interests." Patcham is a strong, close-knit community and the Mackie Estate forms a huge part of it. There are no roads directly linking the Mackie Estate to Hollingbury - there is a green belt forming a huge natural barrier between the two areas. There are no transport links between these two separate areas (the 5B bus serves Hollingbury, and the 5 & 5A buses serve Patcham. Patcham and Hollingbury are two entirely separate communities, with separate schools, youth groups, facilities for young families, etc. Decisions made in the interests of Hollingbury residents will likely have absolutely no interest to Mackie Estate/Patcham residents. WE ARE SEPARATE COMMUNITIES, WITH SEPARATE INTERESTS AND IDENTITIES. We absolutely cannot be divided through the heart. Likewise, Westdene is a separate community to Patcham, with the main London Road leading out of Brighton forming a (dangerous to cross) natural barrier between the two. It is ridiculous to even consider dividing Patcham in two and making old Patcham part of a completely separate ward. As residents of Patcham we have not been provided with adequate information regarding these proposed changes - e.g will school catchments change?

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