

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

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I would be very disappointed if Kilndown was moved from being with Goudhurst to being 'Hawkhurst, Benenden and South Goudhurst'. I have either lived or been associated with Kilndown since 1988 and we have always had close links with Goudhurst village. Ecclesiastically - Kilndown Church - Christ Church - is in a joint benefice with Goudhurst Church - St Mary's. Worshippers at Christ Church include many Goudhurst residents who prefer the style of worship offered at Christ Church and vice versa many Kilndown residents worship at St Mary's because the worship there is what they prefer. A change of boundary could affect the sense of belonging and fellowship we feel as a joint benefice. Educationally- the C of E primary School is 'Goudhurst and Kilndown' Primary School. Having lost our village school in 1991 it would be a shame if we no longer had a school to identify with as a village. Socially - there are activities that are shared such as the Local Goudhurst and Kilndown History Society. Most residents of Kilndown are patients at either Goudhurst Surgery or Lamberhurst Surgery - if the boundaries changed we would not be within the parishes of either Goudhurst or Lamberhurst which would again mean a loss of identity. Shopping - hair dressers, the newsagent and local shopping are done in Goudhurst or Lamberhurst - it's good to feel you are part of the community. If Kilndown was moved to be with Hawkhurst and Benenden I feel sure we would lose our identity. Our links with Goudhurst have been established for many years and we don't want to cut them.

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