

Tunbridge Wells Borough Council

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Removing Kilndown into a separate ward from Goudhurst, for whatever reason, is a thoroughly bad idea that divides a community. One simply has to look at the number of bodies, clubs, organisations, charities etc that combine the names of these villages to realise how intertwined they are. Goudhurst and Kilndown parish. Goudhurst and Kilndown Primary School. GK Church, whose website makes the point 'two buildings, one church'. The Goudhurst and Kilndown History Society. The local food bank is the Goudhurst and Kilndown Community Cupboard. The Goudhurst and Kilndown Parish Magazine addresses news, articles, announcements and notices for both villages. Goudhurst and Kilndown Readycall, a registered charity, provides transport and shopping for those in need in the village neighbourhoods. There is even a Goudhurst and Kilndown millennium walk between the two villages, marked out by signs sponsored by locals. This year's Jubilee events were celebrated by both villages together. None of this is shared by Kilndown and Hawkhurst, let alone Sandhurst. Goudhurst and Kilndown look towards each other across the valley from their respective hilltops, sharing an interconnected history and common evolution. The proposed ward change fails to understand this and should not happen.

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