

# Northumberland

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## Comment text:

Please find attached a letter from Hepscott Parish Council objecting to the electoral boundary changes for Hepscott Village, part of the Parish of Hepscott.

Kind regards.

Sylvia Johnson  
Parish Clerk  
Hepscott Parish Council

## Attached Documents:

- Letter to LGBCE re electoral boundary changes.9.7.23.doc

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The Local Boundary Commission for England  
Sent via website

Dear Sirs

**Re: Proposed Electoral Boundary Review for Northumberland**

We write regarding the proposals to move Hepscott Village from Longhorsley District into the Choppington District and wish to strongly object.

As part of the Longhorsley District, largely a Conservative voting parish, our County Councillor is currently Glen Sanderson. Glen attends our Parish Council meetings, providing helpful updates on current issues; he is always available with helpful advice and support when needed. In general, Glen has served this parish fantastically well for many years.

To join Choppington, largely a labour voting area, we strongly feel that we will not receive the same level of help and support from Mary Murphy, the Choppington County Councillor.

Also, whilst we acknowledge it is a different issue, we have only in the last couple of years been through a parish boundary review and changes. That involved moving the parish boundary, with large areas of housing moving into Morpeth Town Council. We objected and organised a petition with over 90% of residents objecting to the proposals. Common sense prevailed and a compromise was reached.

We see this as a similar issue and strongly object to the proposition.

Yours faithfully

**Sylvia Johnson**  
**Parish Clerk**  
**On behalf of Hepscott Parish Council**